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Wholesale Dismissal Of Jagir Officials

SILVER SOARS HIGHER STILL

Heavy Rush On London Market To Buy White Metal

EXPERTS VIEW SITUATION WITH ALARM

(From Our Own Correspondent).

NEW YORK, April 26.

While some quarters discuss the possibility of another silver nationalization decree, similar to that of last year's fifty cent measure, other observers believe that treasury desires the price to reach 1.29 in the quickest possible time in order to be relieved of the mandatory necessity of buying more metal.

RUSH ON LONDON BULLION MARKET

(Special Cable).

LONDON, April 26.

Chaotic conditions prevailed in the London Bullion market today, speculators from all over the world rushing to buy silver, sellers being few and far between.

Business was so heavy that bullion brokers took an hour longer than usual to fix the price which was 1-3/8d. an ounce higher at 36-1/4 for spot which is the highest since 8-7-22.

Buyers however remained unsatisfied and later bid to raise the price up further 3/8. Brokers are reporting that they are overwhelmed by buying orders.

As a result of speculative activity, the world price of silver is now well above the American price of the newly-mined domestic silver which is equivalent to 35-5/8 and speculators are wondering whether President Roosevelt would again raise the American price.

Experts are viewing the situation with alarm, pointing out that the position is entirely artificial and only maintainable if America enters the world market as a heavy buyer.

Some American buying is noticeable in London to-day but brokers are uncertain whether it is on behalf of the American Government or speculators.

IN BOMBAY MARKET

A new high level in the price of silver has been reached.

In the local market it is quite at Rs. 84-8-0.

VICIOUS CIRCLE HAS STARTED

U. S. Journal's Attack On "Farcical" Silver Policy

(SPECIAL CABLE)

NEW YORK, April 26.

Even India may be subject to the epidemic of melting down rupees should the price of silver rise to about 1.05 dollars per ounce observed the New York Journal of Commerce in the cours of an outspoken editorial attacking the Government's "farcical" silver policy.

Referring to the speculative advance of silver price in the world markets, the paper expresses the opinion that the vicious circle has started which bids fair to raise the market quotation rapidly towards the immediate goal of 1.29 dollars per ounce.

The paper adds that the demoralising effect of the silver programme on our political life may prove enormous; the potency of the 'silver bloc' in forcing so absurd a monetary measure upon the Government for the benefit of a handful of silver mines will furnish an object lesson which will encourage other special interests to obtain similar public favours regardless of the cost to this and other countries.

Ajra Commission's Findings

INCOMPETENCY IN DISCHARGE OF DUTIES

Compensation To Family Of Victims And Pension For The Disabled

(From Our Special Correspondent)

POONA, April 26.

According to a Kolhapur message to "Dnyanprakash," the Surve-Russel Commissioners' report on the Ajra firing tragedy along with the Kolhapur Durbar's orders on it was published at Kolhapur at ten this morning.

The report covers 28 printed foolscap pages.

"Deserve Censure"

Accepting the Commission's recommendations the Durbar has held that the Ichhalkaranji Jehagir officials failed in discharging their duties and so deserve censure. The Durbar has thereupon ordered the immediate dismissal of Rao Saheb Kulkarni, District Magistrate, Rajwade Karbhari, Patwardhan Munsiff, Sawant Sub-Inspector and Pawar Jamadar.

Rao Saheb Pundlik whose services have been loaned from the British Territory is to be placed on compulsory retirement from the Jehagir services.

Col Frere Exonerated

As regards Col. Frere, the Administrator of the State, it has been ordered that he has been absolved from all responsibility for the tragedy and that no blame shall be upon him. The Administrator of the Jehagir has been ordered to submit the names for appointments to new positions, first for Durbar's sanction.

Compensation

Further orders include a compensation of Rs. 600 to the heir of every Muslim killed in the firing, a monthly pension of five rupees for each man, woman or child disabled as a result of firing, and Rs. 200 in a lump sum for every one wounded. All criminal prosecutions lodged against Ajra Muslims in connection with the riot are to be withdrawn.

The Durbar has expressed sympathy with the Muslim sufferers of the tragedy and has thankfully appreciated the work of the Commissioners.

Durbar orders are to be carried out immediately.

KOLHAPUR DURBAR'S FIRMAN

Officials Could Have Avoided Catastrophe

KOLHAPUR, April 26.

The Kolhapur State Gazette (Extraordinary) dated 26th April publishes the order of His Highness the Maharaja of Kolhapur with regard to the recent Ajra Inquiry.

The order has been given after considering the report of the Commission of Inquiry consisting of Rao Bahadur Surve (Prime Minister, Kolhapur) and Major A. A. Russel of the Government of India, Foreign and Political Department. On consideration of the report, the order says the officials of Jehagir Ichalkaranji have failed in the discharge of their duties, and they could have avoided the terrible catastrophe which occurred on 8th January at Ajra. His Highness, the order continues, desires to convey his deep sense of sorrow to the members of the families of the dead who sustained injury in the firing. The order observes that since it has been proved that the fault lies with the Jehagir officials it has become necessary to make provision for the families of the dead and the injured. The Administrator of Ichalkaranji is directed by the Huzur to carry out these instructions of this order of His Highness the Maharaja.—A.P.

Tandon Resigns From Election Dispute Panel

ALLAHABAD April 26

Babu Purushottamdas Tandon has resigned from the Congress Eection Dispute Panel lately formed.—United Press

JUBILEE FUND AND COERCIVE METHODS

S. D. O. Takes Prompt Action And Arranges Refund

DELHI, April 25

Reports of coercive methods being used for collection of money for the Silver Jubilee Fund have been received from Debvali in Hissar district.

The residents to Debvali who were subjected to coercion wired to Lala Sham Lal, M. L. A. and ths District Authorities to enquire into the matter. The S. D. O of Sarsa took prompt action and arranged refund of the money extorted by undesirable means.—United Press

JUBILEE LEVY ON SCHOOL CHILDREN?

Alleged Circular Of Karachi Municipal Officer

KARACHI, April 25.

The action of the Administrative Officer, Karachi, Municipal Corporation in connection with the Their Majesties' Silver Jubilee celebrations has excited keen resentment in public and press.

It is reported that a circular has been issued according to which every child studying in the Municipal schools will have to pay annas four to the Jubilee Fund and in return he is to receive medals, flags, etc.

The "Sansar Samachar" in a leaderette, while criticising the action of the authorities characterises this move as an additional burden on the parent who is already groaning under taxes.—United Press.

SUBURBAN DIST. POLITICAL CONFERENCE

The Third Session of the Bombay Suburban District Political Conference will meet to-day (Saturday) and to-morrow (Sunday) under the Presidentship of Sjt. Bhulabhai Desai at Vile Parle, at 6-15 p.m.

The Delegate's fee will be Re. 1 and that of Visitor's 8 annas.

Those attending the Conference can visit the Exhibition free.

GERMANY PAUSES TO THINK

MacDonald's Outspoken "Article" In News Letter And Its Sequel

IMPORTANCE OF BRITISH FRIENDSHIP

BERLIN, April 26.

Germany has paused to think, is the impression in diplomatic circles following the restrained attitude adopted by a majority of the newspapers to Mr. MacDonald's outspoken article in the "News Letter" declaring that Germany has broken up the road to peace and aroused the suspicions and fears of other nations and asks them to accept the verbal pledge of pacific intentions which she herself would not accept from her neighbours.

It is believed that the newspapers are awaiting orders before committing themselves. The statesmanlike tone of the press as well as of the Government spokesmen indicates that Germany is no more desirous than other powers of closing the door to negotiations.

Many of Herr Hitler's advisers see the importance of the friendship with Britain and since Sir John Simon's visit, Germany has watched Russia cordially welcoming Capt. Antony Eden, then the united front shown at Stresa and finally her great friend Poland voting against her at Geneva.

Now she is pausing to consider the effect of her policy on her neighbours.—Reuter's Special.

PUNCTURED TYRE DELAYS BATTEN

She Had Engine Trouble For Two Days

(SPECIAL CABLE)

MARSEILLES, April 26.

Jean Batten has been delayed with a punctured tyre which will take one hour to repair.

In the meantime reports of bad weather have caused fears that she will be unable to reach London to-night as intended.

She will make for Lyons in the hope of spending the night at Paris. She declared she had fought against very strong headwind to-day especially near the Alps and was worried with engine trouble for two days.

ELDERS PROROGUED

SIMLA, April 26.

The session of the Council of State has been prorogued.—A. P.

JUBILEE HOLIDAY

SIMLA, April 26.

June 3 has been notified as a public holiday in connection with the celebration of the King's Jubilee.—A. P.

Role Of Peasantry In India's Struggle For Freedom

KAMALADEVI ON TASK BEFORE COUNTRY

Powerful Trade Unions And Strong Kisan Sanghs

ECONOMIC MOTIVE AS POWERFUL FACTOR

"To-day the peasants and workers of the world occupy a unique position in international affairs. All eyes are directed towards them, for life is revolving swiftly round this gigantic axle..... In India, a colonial country in the throes of a great struggle, these two powerful elements take on a special significance," observed Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya presiding over the Workers and Peasants' Conference at Jubbulpore on Friday.

Property And Paupers

"But there is no escape for the toilers," she declared, "no matter what form of economic life they may assume. So long as power and wealth remain in the hands of those who own the means of production, the creators of wealth must necessarily remain helpless and in misery.

Immediate Task

"The immediate task before the country, therefore," she concluded, "is the organising of the peasants and the workers for through them alone the struggle for freedom can achieve its purpose. Powerful Trade Unions and strong peasant leagues will lay the foundations of such a mass movement. The peasant movement in India has a particular significance, for in an industrially backward country, the appreciation of its decisive role is the tactical task of the movement."

The following are extracts from the address:—

I thank you for the signal honour you have done me in asking me to preside over this Conference. To-day the Peasants and the Workers of the world occupy a unique position in international affairs. All eyes are directed towards them, for life is revolving swiftly round this gigantic axle. Though they had long been recognised as a mighty force, the post-war events brought this poignantly home to us, and now the economic chaos with its accompanying distress has served to stamp us completely with this consciousness.

In India, a colonial country in the throes of a great struggle, these two powerful elements take on a special significance. To understand this fact we have first of all to understand what imperialism means and how it reacts on the exploited toiling class. Why imperialism is only an extension of capitalism.

MONOPOLY STAGE OF CAPITALISM

Imperialism in its correct sense has entered upon its proper phase, or the "Monopoly stage of capitalism" as Lenin has described it, —monopoly not only in the creation of trusts and combines, but in the annexation of colonies also. This stages comes only when the whole world has been pretty completely shared out among the imperialist powers. Imperialism proper is the last stage of capitalism for it is the final struggle of the capitalist when his system is crumbling, to perpetuate it by socialising production though the appropriation remains private. When production becomes vast and competition keen so that it defeats its own purpose, capitalism in a desperate effort to maintain itself enters, as Lenin describes it, "a new social order, which marks the transition from free competition to the socialisation of production." Thus capitalism is trying to do the impossible to make private property fit social production. We have to-day the world and production both the monopoly of a few imperialist powers. It is very necessary to understand that imperialism is neither an individual nor a nation nor a government, but a very vast international economic system that needs a political body successfully to work itself out.

AN AGRICULTURAL COUNTRY

India is predominently an agricultural country to-day although until early 18th century, she was a great manufacturing country as well. R. C. Dutt observes "the Indian handlooms supplied the markets of Asia and Europe." But thanks to the advent of British Imperialism, the natural transition from handicrafts to machinery was arrested, to make her the supplier of raw products for the British industries and a ready market for British manufactures. Skilled Indian workers were made to work in the few British factories that were set up in India, while hundreds of thousands who were thus thrown out of employment by the destruction of their occupation, migrated to the land. This has naturally led to excessive overburdening of the land beyond its capacity. The maximum number that a square mile of agriculture can maintain is 250. But in India the number far exceeds that. In Bengal it is 608, U.P. 427, Madras 300. Organised industry being undeveloped, it absorbs barely 1 per cent while agriculture takes 75 per cent, the rest going either into unorganised industries eking out a precarious existence or is unemployed. Thus among the civilised countries India has the largest agricultural population.

Nor is agriculture intense or productive enough to feed these countless mouths being in a hopelessly backward and stagnant condition and resulting in very low returns for the excessive labour and time expended on it. It provides a daily rations of about 1.2 lb. per head. Even the standard in famine relief is 1.29 per head. It is very deficient in quality also. Thirty to forty million people do not have even one meal a day. The average income does not exceed two to three annas a day. That is, £5.55 (Rs. 70) is the annual income per head as compared with £72 in U.S.A. and £50 in England.

The peasant is faced with severe handicaps in his efforts to improve his condition.

(Continued on page 7.)

SOCIALISTS & A. I. C. C.

Executive Committee Regrets Important Issues Were Side-Tracked

JUBBULPORE, April 26.

In order to consider the policy and programme of the Party and other important subjects on the agenda, the Executive Committee of the All-India Socialist Party met to-day, Mr. Achut Patwardhan presiding and adopted the following resolution:—

"While accepting without any reservation the Congress President's assurance given on the concluding session of the A. I. C. C., this Committee feels that it is a matter for grave regret that the discussions even of the most vital questions should repeatedly be shelved by raising technical difficulties. It will be recalled that our resolutions were so treated at Bombay, once again at the recent meeting of the A. I. C. C., that certain of our resolutions which dealt with such urgent issues as war danger and the attitude towards the acceptance of the Ministerial Offices under the coming reforms—an issue about which so much misgiving has been created, were side-tracked. We feel that these are issues on which a clear lead was urgently demanded".

The greater part of the meeting was devoted to the consideration of the Trade Union policy of the Party.

PUNJAB SOCIALISTS AND CONGRESS

Questioned about the authenticity of the Punjab Congress Socialist Party's decision about seceding from the Congress, Mr. Jaiprakash Narain, General Secretary, in the course of an exclusive interview to the "United Press" stated that he had seen the Punjab decision in papers, but till he had discussed the matter with his Punjab comrades, he did not like to make any comments on their actions. However, he in order to clear any misunderstanding stated that the Punjab Party was not yet affiliated with them. Therefore its decision was not in a nature of secession.—United Press.

CROYDON GOLD THEFT TRIAL

Second Accused Discharged

(Special Cable).

LONDON, April 26.

Second accused Mazzarda was acquitted in the Croydon Gold theft trial to-day.

Recorder told the jury, there was a very grave dispute in regard to evidence and identification and taxi-driver had sworn that Mazzarda was not in his taxi on the night of the crime. There was no legal evidence against Mazzarda and it was the duty of the jury to say he was not guilty.

The jury accordingly did so and Mazzarda was discharged. The trial adjourned till April 22.

U. P. KISAN CONFERENCE

ALLAHABAD, April 26.

A number of Congress leaders is expected to attend the first U. P. Kisan Conference commencing tomorrow, including Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Sardar Sardul Singh Kavishar of the Punjab, Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, Mr. Sampurnanand and Mr. Jaiprakash Narain. Arrangements are made to secure the attendance of a large number of Kisans. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the President, is expected to-morrow morning.—A.P.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT RANGOON.

INSOLVENCY JURISDICTION.

CASE NO. 42 of 1935.

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of I. M. A. Hamid, deceased debtor, and of an insolvency petition, dated the 5th day of February, 1935, presented by A. T. Saigol and two others of Beckenham in the County of Kent in England claiming to be creditors of the abovenamed deceased debtor.

To.

The heirs and legal representatives of the deceased debtor abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that an Insolvency Petition has been presented against you to this Court by the creditors abovenamed and the Court has ordered that the publication of this notice in the Rangoon Gazette, in the British Burma Advertiser in the "Bombay Chronicle", Bombay, and in the "Ceylon Observer," Ceylon, shall be deemed to be service of the petition upon you; and further Take Notice that the said petition will be heard at this Court on the 21st day of May, 1935, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, on which day you are required to appear, and if you do not appear the Court may make an order for the administration of the estate of the deceased debtor abovenamed in your absence.

The petition can be inspected by you on application at this Court. Dated this 14th day of March, 1935

L. HONE KYSN,
Registrar,
Insolvency Jurisdiction.
(9823).

Public Notices

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20, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, 1.
1007.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai JEKORBAI, widow of Damodar Lakhmidas of Borivli, Bombay Suburban District, Hindu inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

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Dated this 25th day of April, 1935.

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Auction Sales

Messrs. VORA & Co.,

GRAND AUCTION SALE OF FURNITURE of P. Papoussamy, Esqr., Secretary to the French Consulate proceeding Home and others, TO-DAY (SATURDAY) at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) at New Gamdevi, 11A, Laburnum Road, Opp. Soona House, of complete Bunglow Furniture H. M. V. Gramophone, Singer Machine, Remington typewriter, Chesterfield sets, Corner Cabinets, Persian Hall Carpets, Wardrobes, Glassware, etc.

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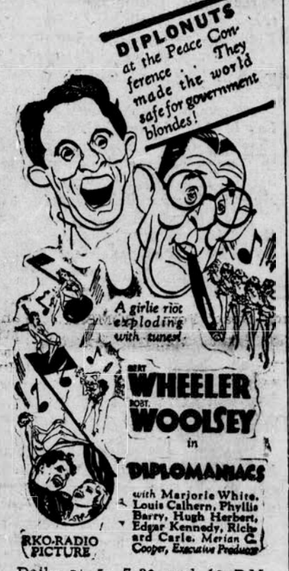
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1920	1920	1920	1920	1920
3,00,000	3,00,000	1,61,000	8,99,000	14,19,000
1924	1924	1924	1924	1924
3,00,000	3,00,000	2,62,000	18,10,000	24,69,000
1928	1928	1928	1928	1928
3,00,000	3,00,000	3,88,000	37,42,000	46,99,000
1932	1932	1932	1932	1932
6,00,000	3,30,000	4,31,000	55,46,000	65,62,000
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6,00,000	3,31,000	4,50,000	58,62,000	73,49,000

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KILLED TWO BY RASH DRIVING

Lorry-Driver Sentenced To 8 Months' Jail And Fine

For driving a motor lorry (No. X7691) in a rash and negligent manner at Gowalia Tank Road on October 23 last, thereby causing the death of two persons, and also for failing to report the accident at the Police Station, Abdulla Majid Abdulla Aziza, a lorry driver was sentenced yesterday by the Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum, to undergo eight months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 50/- in default a further two weeks' simple imprisonment.

The prosecution stated that on the morning of October 23 last, the accused was driving a baker's van along Gowalia Tank Road at a fast speed and suddenly swerving to the left, struck against and entered a "pan" shop and later knocked down two persons, Paul Sebastian and Sakharam Gowli, fatally injuring them.

The accused pleaded guilty to the charge. Taking into consideration the seriousness of the offence, the Magistrate sentenced the accused as above.

HINDI AND URDU

Sampurnanand's View

INDORE, (By Mail.)

Presiding over the first session of the Central India Hindi Students' Conference in the Branson Hall of the Christian College late last night, Mr. Shampurnanand advised the students to open libraries and reading rooms and start study circles with a view to educate the illiterate peope in nights. He regretted that the English educated students disdained to use Hindi and suggested that Indian scholars and scientists should publish their theses and works first in Hindi.

The Conference passed a resolution thanking the Railways for giving concession in fares to students travelling together and urging upon the Railway authorities to allow concession in the luggages as well, which mainly consisted of books.

On being asked whether he agreed with the definition of Hindi given by the Hindi Sahitya Sammelan at its Indore Session as the language written in Arabic and Devnagari scripts, Mr. Shampurnanand agreed that the language written in both the scripts is Hindi, but that if the resolution means that more than one script can be considered as the Rashtra-lipi then he disagreed. For one national language the national script can be only one. On being asked what he understood by Urdu he defined Urdu as the "language which should be called Hindi but which is not called Hindi simply because of the excessive use of Persian and Arabic words in it".—A. P.

QUETTA PREPARES FOR ROYAL JUBILEE

QUETTA, April 26.

An interesting programme extending over a fortnight has been arranged in connection with Their Majesties' Silver Jubilee celebration at Baluchistan Cinema performances, concerts by boy scouts, wrestling competition and football and hockey matches in aid of the Silver Jubilee Fund have been arranged. On the sixth of May thanksgiving services will be held by all religions throughout Baluchistan in the morning and a small souvenir will be presented to all the school children.

The Flag day will be held in Quetta and in the large towns and the poor will be fed and sweets will be distributed to school children. At night bonfires will be lit on the hills and public and private buildings will be illuminated. Display of fire works will also be given on the Race course. On May 11th a garden party to the leading citizens will be given at the Quetta Residency.—A. P.

ANOTHER CHARGE AGAINST SIND EDITOR

KARACHI, April 25.

A posse of police constables and sergeants searched yesterday the premises of the local vernacular daily the "Sansar Samachar" on a warrant and removed certain old newspaper copies and manuscripts.

It may be recalled that Mr. Rijhumal Agnani, Editor, who is at present undergoing two terms of imprisonment in connection with Mr. Hobson's case and under a section of the Criminal Law Amendment Act is being again tried on a fresh charge of defaming a Police Official of Shikarpur. The police wanted the original manuscript. The police also searched the premises of its proprietor, Mr. Thakurdas Agnani.—United Press.

Dr. Nariman Jehanbaksh Thanewala, M.D. (Bom.), M.M. D.G.O. (Lond.), L.M. (Rot.) who has returned to India after having qualified himself as a specialist in diseases of women and children. Dr. Thanewala is the first Parsi to pass the M.M. (Master of Midwifery) Examination.

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The second annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Servants of India Insurance Co., Ltd., took place under the presidentship of Sir Hari Singh Gour, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, when the progress made by the Company in the past was reviewed. The Directors' Report shows that the subscribed and paid-up capital amount to Rs. 3,68,460 and Rs. 1,24,104/10 respectively.

The Company is one of the youngest insurance companies in India, but has transacted a business of over 41 lacs, the premium income from which amounted to over a lac of rupees during the past year alone, representing an increase of over 65 per cnet over the figure of the preceding year. It has earned a good name for itself in India, Burma and Ceylon, and has opened its own Branches in Calcutta, Bombay and other centres of business and industry. In view of the progress made and success achieved, the Directors have decided to close the issue of new shares as from the noon of the 15th of April, 1935.

There can be no doubt that at the close of the 2nd year, the Company has achieved phenomenal success in as much as it has shown an increase of over 300 per cent in its Life Fund. The Company is a purely indigenous concern.

ALL-INDIA CANTONMENTS ASSOCIATION

Head Office Shifted To Lahore

LAHORE (By Mail)

Lala Jagannath Aggarwal, Advocate, President of the All India Cantoment Association writes:—

"I am surprised to read in the "tribune", dated 24th April 135 a statement from R. B. Panna Lal, Honorary secretary All India Cantonments Association, to the effect that all communications be addressed to him at Ambala as usual. It was at his request that I as president with the approval of the members of the Working Committee and a number of branch associations, decided to shift this head office from Ambala to Lahore Cantonment, under Rule 7 of the Rules of the All India Cantonments Association.

From 11th April 1935 all records have been brought to Lahore Cantoment and work has been assumed. No doubt R. B. Panna Lal continues to be Honorary Secretary but as the office is situated in Lahore Cantoment, one of the Honorary Joint Secretaries Mr. Kidar Nath has been given the working charge of the All India Cantonments Association and honorary editorship of the "Cantonment advocate".

The statement of R. B. Panna Lal, is therefore, absolutely incorrect and misleading. The public is therefore informed that all communications should be addressed to the "All India Cantonments Association Lahore Cantonment-A. P.

RACE FOR MAYORAL CHAIR IN KARACHI

KARACHI, April 26.

A new Mayor is to be elected for the City Corporation on May 2. It is only the last year that the rotation system has been introduced in Karachi. This time the Mayoral cloak is to fall on a Muslim.

Enquiries reveal that there are two candidates in the field, namely, Mr. Hatim Alavi, a young reformer and Kazi Khuda Bux. Both are stated to be equally influential and stand equal chances.

The Hindu Corporators who are in the majority hold the key.—United Press.

WOMAN STABBED

Rejected Suitor Alleged To Have Inflicted Thirteen Wounds On Victim In Street

A young woman was mercilessly stabbed yesterday morning by a man who is still at large.

Jivi Jiwa, residing in the Municipal Menial Chawl at Umerkhady was the object of the attentions for some time past of Govind Jiwa, a Hindu, residing in the same vicinity.

Govind many a time made overtures to Jivi and offered to keep her as his mistress, but she rejected the offer.

On Friday morning at about 10 o'clock while Jivi was buying some articles at a grocer's shop near her house. Jiwa came and renewed the offer which she rejected with disdain.

This it is alleged enraged Jiwa, who flourished a clasp knife at her and then stabbed her brutally all over the body.

Her cries brought some passers-by to her assistance but, in the meantime, Jiwa took to his heels.

The police removed Jivi to the J. J. Hospital where it was ascertained she had sustained thirteen wounds. The police hope to arrest the alleged assailant soon.

RAIN TO INCREASE IN LOWER BURMA

Heavy Fall Expected In Tenasserim

POONA, April 26.

A depression which formed in the Bay of Bengal near the Andaman Islands lies this morning with its central region about 100 miles North-east of Port Blair. It caused widespread rain along the Burma coast and is now likely to move in a north-easterly direction.

Local thunderstorm and rain also occurred in Upper Burma, Assam and southeast Bengal with a few falls in Orissa, Bombay Deccan, Mysore and south Madras. The western disturbance is passing away eastwards through Kashmir after causing local thundershowers along the Northwest Frontier and Kashmir.

The chief amounts of rainfall are. Port Blair a quarter of an inch Mergui two inches, Tavoy and Amherst one and half inches each, Cox's Bazar and Jessore half an inch each, Barisal and Chandbali a quarter of an inch each, Sonamarg half an inch, Fort Sandeman and Drosh a quarter of an inch each, Chittagong, Coimbatore and Trivandrum a quarter of an inch each.

Rainfall will increase in Lower Burma and thundershowers will occur locally in Upper Burma and Assam. Scattered falls of rain will also occur in Kashmir.

Locally heavy rainfall will occur in Tenasserim and Irrawady and the Pegu divisions during the next 48 hours.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 26-4-1935

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +002 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 82.6 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 77.6 degrees

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 90.0 degrees 0.7 (above normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 77.7 degrees 0.5 (above normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 77 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. SW.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 6 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 106 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 17 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq.. 10) 4

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 26-4-35.

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 85.8 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.86 inches.

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PANDIT RAMCHANDRA SHARMA

Public Reception At Ghatkopar

(From Our Correspondent)

GHATKOPAR, April 26.

Pandit Ramchandra Sharma, who returned from Kalyan to Ghatkopar to-day, was given a reception at the station by his admirers, who took him to the Jagjivan Dayal's Wadi in a procession.

IN THE STUDIOS----ON THE SCREEN

Cantor At The Capitol

"Kid Millions" at the Capitol. See Edie Cantor.

EDDIE CANTOR AT CAPITOL

'Kid Millions" Continued For Second Week

As was anticipated by everybody, Eddie Cantor's musical extravaganza, "Kid Millions" had a splendid reception during its run at the Capitol. It is continued for the second week from to-day and this has afforded those hundreds of film-fans who had to go back disappointed last week owing to seats being oversold in no time an opportunity to witness this perfect screen musical.

The pop-eyed Eddie is funnier than ever in his fifth annual musical comedy, as a Brooklyn "bargee," whose ambition seems to be to provide free ice-cream for children, and who suddenly learns that he is the sole heir to a 77 million dollars' worth fortune, left by his Old Man, the late egyptologist, Professor Wilson. To his dismay he finds that there are several other claimants, all bogus ones, to this huge fortune treasured in a jewel box and hidden in an Egyptian cave. The chief among these are the song-plugger Dot, posing herself as the late Professor's common-law wife, who tries to "kid" Eddie; her block-headed gangster friend, Jerry Lane, played by Warren Hymer; George Murphy and Ann Southern, who want to marry and are without money; and Colonel Larrabee (Burton Churchill); all of whom want to show that he or she is the rightful claimant for the old professor's treasure.

As luck would have it, the presence of all these proves to the advantage of Wilson Jr., who through the ruse his "Momma" and "Uncle" wanted to play on him so as to put him out of the way, comes into contact with the Sheikh (Paul Harvey) and his gorgeous Harem of bewitching Goldwyn girls. The Sheikh's daughter Fanya (Eve Sully) not at all a "bright young thing," who was to have been married to Ben Ali (Jessie Block), develops an uncontrollable liking for Wilson Jnr. and saves him from being dropped into boiling oil vats under orders from her father, the Sheikh having decided to kill him according to a vow he had taken of putting an end to the life of the lawful claimant to Professor Wilson's treasures, which the Sheikh maintained rightfully belonged to Egypt and himself. And this she does on his promise to wed her.

But actualy he never likes the Sheik's daughter—and wants to go back to his Brooklyn sweetheart—and here's come her fiance Ben Ali, to his rescue, who is very jealous of Wilson Jr. for having "transferred" her affections from Ben to himself by helping him to get away with the fortune in a plane. After a frenzied flight over the Atlantic, the plane lands him in New York and he is very much delighted at this. He open a free ice-cream factory his boyhood dream for tiny toots.

The finale, showing the ice-cream being frozen and served to the kiddies, is the loveliest and most effective Technicolour sequence the screen has so far offered.

Produced on a lavish scale, "Kid Millions" offers several gorgeous girl super numbers of which Irving Berlin's song hit, "Mandy" which was first introduced by Eddie in the early Ziegfeld Follies is revived again with more terrific effect, Eddie, accompanied by a bevy of beautiful Goldwyn girls, excelling himself while singing that great number. Then there are equally melodious songs, like "When My Ship Comes In" An Earful of Music" "Okay Toots" and "Your Head on My Shoulder" those tuneful hits which you will be humming and whistling for many months to come.

The numerous funny scenes and incidents, especially those conversation pieces between the 25-year-old Eddie and his "Momma," a girl of 19 years, and between him and the Sheikh about the latter harem and his many wives will provide you with plenty of enjoyment and will force you to burst into myriads of laughter.

"Kid Millions" is truly a million lollars' worth of 'solid' enjoyment. See it and treat yourself to the greatest film fun feast offered for many years.

"VIVA VILLA"

At The Edward

"Viva Villa," Wallace Beery's starring vehicle, now returning to the Edward for the current week, is a full-blooded melodrama based on actual incidents in Mexican history and centering round the life of a real rascal but a born leader of men. Beery is in fact a bandit, or rather a revolutionist, and in the role of Pancho Villa he gives us some very powerful acting.

This picture is a Mexican holocaust, for it gives a panoramic view of that country at a particularly turbulent period in its ever-troubled history, and the ceaseless fight for freedom on the part of the downtrodden peasantry against their Spanish oppressors provides countless opportunities for scenes of savagery and slaughter.

"Kentucky Kerneis" at the Wellington.

Dickens Mastepiece At The Regal

Wheeler And Woolsey At The Wellington

"Limehouse Blues" with George Raft, Jean Parker & Montagu Love, a paramount picture running this week at the Pathe.

"Barrister's Wife" at the West End.

RAFT AND WONG

"Limehouse Blues" At Pathe

The sinister charm of George Raft, the sensuous, bamboo-like beauty of Anna May Wong and the wistful loveliness of Jean Parker, in the leading roles of Paramount's "Limehouse Blues," now at the Pathe Theatre, combine to make this film of the famous London underworld a picture of unusual excellence force and drama.

The story deals with the undoing of the gangster chieftain who dominates the river pirates of the Thames, George Raft, in the role of Harry Young.

His nefarious operations are covered by his interest in an oriental cafe where Anna May Wong, who loves him jealously, is a dancer. When another girl, Jean Parker, comes into his life, Miss Wong plots against her.

Raft learns through the Chinese girls of another man whom Jean Parker loves and lays a trap for him. The surprise climax comes when Raft is made to realise that the girls happiness is more important than her love and endangers his life to save her lover from his own trap.

Filmed against a series of the most remarkable sets we have ever seen, "Limehouse Blues" catches the full flavour of the eerie mystery of the famous London underworld for a picture chock-full of melodrama and movement.

Kent Taylor, Montagu Love and Robert Lorraine, who appear in the supporting roles, give performances fully worthy of the excellent acting of the principals. And Alexander Hall is to be complimented for the sustained mood and feeling of an excellent production, due in a large measure to his direction.

WHEELER & WOOLSEY FOR THE SECOND WEEK

"Kentucky Kernels" At The Wellington

So hilariously funny are the entirely new antics and pranks of Wheeler and Woolsey in "Kentucky Kernels" and cine-goers have so engrossingly followed the riotous fun and frolics of the two popular comedians during the last week, that the management of the Wellington have been compelled to repeat this picture again for the second week.

In previous successes, Wheeler and Woolsey stories were built round the comedians' slapstick talents. The comedy in this picture springs from their benevolences, slightly marked by a sentimental touch. Bert and Bob save a disappointed suitor from suicide and urge him to adopt "Spanky," an infant orphan, as a heart palliative. His fiancee has a change of heart, recalls her lover, and the boys are, by default, foster fathers to the boy.

Meditating on the lad's future, they are interrupted by two lawyers who inform them that "Spanky" has inherited the huge Milford Homestead in Kentucky. They deliver "Spanky" to his family, and see a feud raging between the Milfords and the Wakefields. The inimical clans have been at war for more than a century, wrecking the romance of Colonel Wakefield and Aunt Hannah Milford. Woolsey is determined to end the feud and avoid a possible disaster to Wheeler's attachment for Gloria Wakefield, but there is a whole heap of fun and trouble before Wheeler and Woolsey's peacemaking efforts cause the action to progress to a side-splitting finish.

As in their previous productions "Kentucky Kernels" offers a gay popular melody, "One Little Kiss." The Stars and other cast members offer pleasing vocalizations of the song, and the tune is a musical background for fast and modern dances by a toe-stepping chorus of pretty girls.

Wheeler ad Woolsey are supported by Mary Carlisle, in the role of Gloria, "Spanky" McFarland of "Our Gang" fame, as the orphan: and Noah Beery, who portrays the Colonel.

"Dhiwan Dhar" a forthcoming "Adarsh" picture.

"BARRISTER'S WIFE"

Seventh Week At West End Talkies

Ranjit's social "Barrister's Wife" is popular now that is now running for six long weeks.

It is now running for the seventh week at West End Talkies.

ZENANA SHOW.

A Special Zenana Show is arranged for ladies. It will take place on Monday 1-30 p.m. at West End Talkies.

AMRIT MANTHAN

29th And Last Week

Amrit Manthan that great picture of Prabhat, which has been continuously shown at the Krishna Talkies for the last 7 months, enters from to-day into the consecutive 29th Week.

CHANDRASENA

"Chandra Sena" which has recently been released and being shown at the Minerva is a mythological picture, the story being taken from Ramayana. To create a suitable mythological back-ground for this picture is not an easy task. But the Prabhat Company have very successfully accomplished this rather very difficult task.

Chandra Sena is the princess of the underworld (Patal-lok.) So almost the whole story is located in the under-world. The settings of this under-world are designed by Mr. S. Fatehlal, the art-director of the Prabhat Film Company.

"DAVID COPPERFIELD" DICKENS MASTERPIECE

At The Regal

When the world has read so many million copies of David Copperfield, it is a matter of course that the film should go on for yet another week. It is a picture that will make any audience laugh and cry in turn. It portrays every emotion of the human soul and is acted by men and women whose performances are the last word in screen perfection. The spirit of this immortal novel has been captured in an uncanny manner, unlike most other pictures, this is one that will appeal equally to both young and old. Micawber played by W. C. Fields, and young Copperfield by Freddie Bartholomew are characterisations which cannot be easily forgotten. Nobody who has read the book, or even wanted to do so should miss this film, whilst the thousands of others, to whom the name of Dickens is only something they have heard again and again, this is their opportunity to see a masterpiece by his hand that will live through the ages.

DICKEN'S MASTER-PIECE AT THE REGAL

A rare-film at the Regal "David Copperfield" must be seen to know humanity.

Barretts Of Wimpole Street At The Palace

"Here Comes The Navy", a Warner Bros. & Vitaphone Picture being shown this week at the Carlton.

"HERE COMES THE NAVY"

At The Carlton

Warners Bros. melodramatic thriller of Uncle Sam's jack-tars, "Here Comes the Navy," opens at the Carlton Theatre yesterday with James Cagney and Pat O'Brien co-starred and 3,000 sailors and 3,000 taking active part.

There is thrill after thrill in the picture, two of the most breath-taking being the rescue of a gun crew from a flaming turret and the saving of a man who has been carried aloft clinging to a ground wire of a dirigible by a sailor sliding down the rope with a parachute strapped to his back and dropping with the man to the ground.

Cagney and O'Brien have the stellar roles of two virile jack-tars who hate each other with intense fury, the more so because the formers loves the latter's sisters. Their fued is accompanied by rapid fire action to a smashing climax.

Gloria Stuart furnished the romantic part while hilarious comedy is enacted by the two principals and by Frank McHugh, Dorothy Tree, and Maude Eburne, other in the cast include Robert Barrat, Williard Robertson, Guinn Williams, Howard Hickman and George Irving.

"INSAF-KI-TOPE"

3rd Week At Globe Talkies

Globe Talkies is drawing large audiences in spite of 3rd glorious week of Bharat Laxmi Picture's "Insaf-ki-tope"—a comedy full of delightful incident as well as hilarious situations. It stars Vithaldas Panchotia, Miss Sheila, Raj-Kumari, etc. Those who love to see Indian comedy should not fail to see this picture at Globe.

"CHIRAG-E-HUSNA"

Globe Talkies will be releasing a Muslim picture "Chirag-e-Husna" produced by Mahalaxmi Cinetone—next week. It is a tale of love and revenge. It stars Miss Khorshed of Punjab, Bhai Desa Amritsari, Dinkar, etc.

"BARRETTS OF WIMPOLE STREET"

At The Palace

In Norma Shearer's new picture, "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," now returning to the Palace for the current week, we have the pleasure of seeing three winners of the annual Motion Picture Academy Award appear together. They are Miss Shearer, who stars as Elizabeth in this famous tale of poetic love; Fredrick March, who plays opposite as the ardent Robert Browning, and Charles Laughton, most recent winner of the award, who shines as the diabolical father.

The performance of each is exquisitely finished, smooth and rich. The film, as a production, deserves unrestricted praise. The thought, staging and nicety of detail characteristic of all Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer productions are even more in evidence than usual. It is a brilliant production, brilliantly conceived, written, acted, directed and framed.

On Sunday morning there will be a special show at the Palace consisting of a double programme, when "My Pal The King" starring the greatest cowboy Tom Mix and "Strawberry Roan," starring another equally famous king of adventures, Ken Maynard will be shown.

New Philips "Coiled Coil" Lamps

Philips Glowlampworks are just introducing on the Indian market an entirely new kind of Philips incandescent gasfilled lamp from to-day.

The heart and soul of this super lamp consists of a double coiled spiral filament. The filament wire is dirst spiralised and that spiral is again coiled round a fixed core. A spiral in a spiral! The manufacture of these lamps is a revolutionary advance of far-reaching importance in the lamp industry. This new lamp offers an increased light capacity and economy which surpasses any previous developments, and it gives up to 20 per cent. more light for the same amount of current, as compared with the single coil Philips lamps of the same wattage.

Besides the double-coiled filament there are two other important features which add to the efficiency of the new bulb: one is the special gasfilling which ensures the utmost purity of the gasses, and the other is the internal frosting of the glass bulb whereby it has been possible to reduce the loss of light by absorption of the glass bulb.

This is the result of continued researches which are being conducted by the big and well-known Lamp Manufacturers and the new "coiled coil"' lamp crowns the labour of the Electric Lamp Industry in the direction of Economy. A great service has been rendered to the community by these new discoveries in the domain of Lamps.

The new Philips "coiled coil" filament lamp is available in 40, 60 75 and 100 Watt types and in Gasfilled Clear, Opal (Philips Argenta) and inside frosted (Philips "Arlita") executions, for any voltage between 200/260 volts.

Mr. G. V. Bewoor, the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs left for Calcutta this morning by the Indian National Airways Plane.

The gun of Mr. Aditya Biswas, a Christian Officer of the Barisal Steamer Company, was found missing from his house.

City And Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Chaitra Vad 9, 1991
Muslim: Mohurrum 23, 1353
Parsi: Avan 23, 1304
Sunrise: 6h 13m
Sunset: 6h 59m
High Tide: 6-20 19-16
Low Tide: 0-56 12-30

S. S. Mooltan with English mails sails at 1 p.m.

Silver Jubilee Olympic Games. Opening ceremony, Women's Day. Cooperage, 2-30 p.m.

Bombay Suburban Political Conference —Vile Parle Chhavni—6-30 p.m. Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai to preside.

SUNDAY, April 28.

Silver Jubilee Olympic Games, Men's Day, Cooperage, 2-30 p.m.

MONDAY, April 29.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

Concert in aid of Silver Jubilee Fund at Bombay Port Trust Sports Club, Thackersey House, Ballard Estate, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 1.

Results of Intermediate Examination in Science, University Building, 3 p.m.

Grand Variety Entertainment in aid of Silver Jubilee Fund by Boys' Gymkhana assisted by local amateurs (for children only), Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 2.

Municipal Corporation 3-40 p.m.

SHARADA MANDIR

The first annual celebration of the Khar Education Society's Sharada Mandir will be held on Sunday (to-morrow) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the Laxminagar Pavilion, 10th Road. Sheth Ramdas Khimji will preside

HINDI PRACHAR SABHA

The Rashtra Bhasha Visharad Class will be held at 4 p.m. to-day (Saturday) at Master's Tutorial High School, Kennedy Bridge, Grant Road.

NATIONAL INSURANCE CO.

The Agents, Brokers and Doctors of the National Insurance Co. Ltd., will present an address to-day (Saturday) to Mr. P. D. Churi, the Bombay Branch Secretary, on the eve of his retirement from the Company's services.

The function will be held at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the National Insurance Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

GANDHARVA MAHA VIDYALAYA

The 26th fortnightly music demonstration of the Gandharva Maha Vidyalaya will be held to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.) in the Vidyalaya.

Music—Prof. Govindrao Bhave, Principal Saraswati Sangit Vidyalaya, Bangalore and Mr. Veibal, at first floor, Gowardhan Bhuwan, Khetwadi Main Road.

BAND AT THE SIR P. MEHTA'S GARDENS

The band of the G. I. P. Railway Regiment (A.F.I.) will play a select programme of music at the Sir Pherozeshah Mehta's Gardens to-day (Saturday) commencing at 6 p.m. (S.T.).

THE BOMBAY SUBURBAN SOUTH INDIAN SOCIETY

Under the auspices of the above Society, there will be two Harikatha Kalekshepams to-day (Saturday) at 8 p.m. and the other to-morrow (Sunday) at 4-30 p.m. on Subadra Kalyan and Sulochana Sati respectively by Sjt. S. Vadiraja Bhagavathar of Kumbakonam at the Society's premises, 15th Road, Khar.

THE Capitol 2ND DEMAND WEEK! Daily 3 Shows at 4, 6-30 & 10 p. m.

Eddie's Biggest and Best Musical!

EDDIE CANTOR
in SAMUEL GOLDWYN'S production of
KID MILLIONS
with ANN SOTHERN • ETHEL MERMAN
BLOCK & SULLY and the GOLDWYN GIRLS
RELEASED THRU UNITED ARTISTS

SONGS—COMEDY—TECHNICOLOUR—GIRLS!

DAILY AMUSEMENTS

REGAL—"David Copperfield". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Kid Millions." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CARLTON—"42nd Street". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Sunday morning at 10 a.m.
PATHE—"Limehouse Blues." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Sunday morning at 10 a.m.
WELLINGTON—"Kentucky Kernels." Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, Saturday and Sunday at 3-30 p.m.
WEST END—"Barrister's Wife." Time as usual
GLOBE—"Insaf-ki-Tope." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, Saturday and Sunday at 2-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Chandrasena." Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Amrit Manthan." Daily at 6-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Diplomaniacs." Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, Saturday and Sunday at 2-30 p.m.

Empire Broadcasting

5-15 p.m. Big Ben. The News and Sports Results. 5-35 p.m. The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force. 6 p.m. A topical supplement to the week's programmes. 6-30 p.m. The Cup Final. Interval summary and running commentary on the second half of the match by George F. Allison. Relayed from the Empire Stadium, Wembley. 7-30 p.m. Music hall. 8-30 p.m. 'The Empire Bookshelf'. Readings from Empire authors. An extract from 'Boomerang' by the Australian authoress, Helen Simpson. 8-45 p.m. Close down. 9 p.m. Big Ben. Band Concert. 9-40 p.m. The News and Sports Results. 10 p.m. Henry Hall's Guest Night with the B B C Dance Orchestra. 10-45 p.m. Close down.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

12 noon. Time signal. Selection of Indian music (A Variety Programme). 1 p.m. Available market rates. 2 p.m. Close down.

4-30 p.m. Children's Hour. 5 p.m. Auntie Ella and Uncle Dick. 5-30 p.m. European programme. Relay of music from the Regal Cinema. (By permission of the Management). 6-30 p.m. Talk: 'Causes of War'. 7 p.m. Pianoforte Lecture—Recital Series. 7-30 p.m. The 'Request' Hour. A recorded programme compiled from listeners' requests. 8-30 p.m. Interval. 9 p.m. Time signal. European Programme. Weather Report and News Bulletin. 9-10 p.m. Indian Programme. General News in Hindi and Commercial News. 9-30 p.m. The V U B Indian Orchestra. 10 p.m. Close down.

KALYAN ANDHRA ASSOCIATION

The Fives Finals and the Prize Distribution in the Badminton Inter-tournament under the auspices of the Andhra Association Kalyan will take place in the Andhra Badminton Grounds between 6-30 and 9 a.m. to-morrow (Sunday).

Dr. Burve of Kalyan will preside and distribute prizes. The following teams stand for the Finals in Fives:

Mr. V. V. Narayan's—(Andhra Association) and Mr. R. Krishnamurti's—(South Indian Association).

ST. XAVIER'S ASSOCIATION

The finals of the St. Xavier's Association Challenge Cup Hockey Tournament between the Lusitanians and the Apollo Athletic Association, Colaba will be played to-morrow (Sunday) at 5-15 p.m. (S.T.) at the Shivaji Park, Dadar.

BOMBAY FREE FROM CHOLERA

The Government of Netherlands India has declared that Bombay is no longer infected with cholera as from April 20.

FIRST BARODA VETERINARY SURGEONS' CONFERENCE

A Baroda correspondent writes:—"The Development Commissioner Rajratna, Mukarji opened the first Conference and made a instructive speech. Eleven resolutions were passed under the presidentship of Major Sadaker Pawar, G.B.V.C."

SEVENTH ALL-INDIA AND BURMA BAHA'I CONVENTION

The following is to-day's (Saturday) programme: At 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) Prathna Samaj Hall, Girgaum, a lecture on 'History and Teachings of the Baha'i Cause' will be delivered by Mr. N. R. Vakil and by Abbas Ali Butt, B.A., in Urdu.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of St. John Ambulance Association there will be a Cinema Show on 'General Hygiene' today (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) and a series of lectures in 'First Aid' will be delivered in the Girgaum Vyayam Shala Hall, near Opera House Tram Terminus, Girgaum, on every Sunday commencing from to-morrow at 2-30 p.m. to 3-30 p.m. Certificates will be issued to the successful candidates.

FOREIGN MAILS

The P and O mail steamer 'Viceroy of India' with the mails from London of the 18th instant passed Suez at 9-0 p.m. on the 24th instant.

The N Y K steamer 'Tango Maru' left Colombo for Bombay on the 25th instant and is due to arrive here to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon.

THE RATIONALIST YOUTH LEAGUE

A debate will be held under the joint auspices of the above institutions at Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chowpatty to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.)

Subject: "Science has done more for the progress of humanity than religion."

Speakers for the proposition Mr. S. Megherian and Mr. Kanaiyalal Vakil. Opposition: Rev. Scott and Mr. George. Dr. G. V. Deshmukh will preside.

BOMBAY LORRY OWNERS' PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Bombay Lorry Owners' Propaganda Committee will take place at the garage of Mr. E. Bharucha at 28, Nesbit Road, Mazgaon, today (Saturday) at 7 p.m. to discuss the winding up of the Propaganda Committee and the formation of a Lorry Owners' Association.

THE KAMALABAI APPRECIATION AND MEMORIAL FUND

A gathering will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) in the Gajanan Bhaskar Vaidya Memorial Hall, Nowroji Street, to give a send-off to Mrs. Kamalabai Gajanan Vaidya and to unveil her portrait.

Mr. B. V. Jadhav will preside and unveil the portrait.

PT. SHARMA LEAVES FOR JALGAON

Pandit Ramchandra Sharma who was successful in his attempts to put an end to the practice of slaughtering animals in the name of God is leaving Victoria Terminus by Nagpur Express on Sunday and will reach Jalgaon on the next day.

During his stay at Jalgaon he will put up in the Khandesh Spg. and Wg. Mills of Messrs. Mulji Jetha.

Panditji will then visit Bhusaval, Akola, Umravati, Chada, Nagpur and Calcutta.

SILVER JUBILEE FUND, KOLHAPUR STATE

The fourth list of donors towards their Majesties' Silver Jubilee Fund, Kolhapur State, is published, as under:

Grand total published before Rs. 66,818-4-0.

Peta Panhala Rs. 2,980; Peta Shirol Rs. 2,375; Mahal Raibag Rs. 1,230; Cooperative Societies Rs. 1,051; Mahal Shahuwadi Rs. 925; Peta Bhudargad Rs. 650; Mahal Katkol Rs. 500; Vadgaon Municipality Rs. 111. Including sums less than Rs. 100, the total stands at Rs. 77,045-8-0.

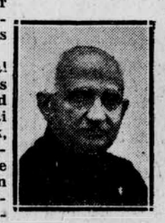
Constructive Work In Suburban District

Congress Committee's Activities In Regard To Harijan Uplift And Village Industries Work

After nearly three years under Government possession, the Upanagar Chavani, Vile Parle, is again bustling with activity.

The Bombay Suburban Political Conference will be meeting this evening under the distinguished presidentship of Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai. Only a few days back, Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel declared the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition open in the same building after performing the flag-hoisting ceremony.

The Suburban District Congress Committee had resumed the constructive programme with vigour and considerable progress has already been made in propagating Khadi and in popularising village industries.



Sjt. Bhulabhai Desai will preside over the Suburban Political Conference.

Sjt. N. M. Joshi, President of the Suburban Harijan Conference.

PROGRESS OF KHADI.

In the three Suburban areas of Khar, Santa Cruz and Vile Parle, there are already Khadi shops and in Vile Parle, in addition, a Swadeshi Stores is being run by the students of the Gujerat Vidyapith.

The Suburban District Congress Committee, it is stated, is making arrangements to raise a suitable memorial in honour of the late Mr. Vithalbhai who was the President of the Committee for a long time. Advantage may be taken of the Conference when all the prominent Congressmen from the suburbs would be present in the Conference and means may be devised for raising the memorial.

HARIJAN UPLIFT WORK.

Progress was also made in Harijan welfare work. In the three suburban areas, schools for Harijan children were started and they are now working satisfactorily. There is a Harijan colony in Vile Parle, known as Shraddhanand Nivas giving relief to a few Harijan boys. In this connection, it is noteworthy that the Harijan Conference is arranged to take place on Sunday noon, with Mr. N. M. Joshi in the chair, in the absence of Dr. Ambedkar owing to illness.

The Village Industries' Association is at present chiefly occupied in stimulating the interests of the villagers in the suburbs in the handicrafts and industries which could be pursued by them with benefit.

One person was invited from the Nizam's Dominions, who had been demonstrating the process of the manufacture of bangles and many persons had evinced keen interest in an industry which cost the country in the past to the tune of nearly Rs. 2 crores in imports from foreign lands. Another expert has been demonstrating the process of preparing paper.

ARTS AND CRAFTS.

In addition, the Pupils' Own School had also been taking keen interest under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Vakil, in various useful activities and many arts and handicrafts were being taught to the students.

Those who attend the Conference will also have the benefit of seeing the exhibition which is still running. They will have an idea of the varied industries of a self-contained village.

RAILWAY TIMINGS

AT VICTORIA TREMINUS

Trains.	Arrivals. H. M.
Madras Mail	6 00
Peshawar and Lucknow Express	6 15
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	7 30
Calcutta Mail via Chheoki	8 15
Madras Express	10 15
Deccan Queen	10 25
Punjab Mail	10 45
Poona Mail	11 40
Nagpur Express	13 55
Poona Fast Passenger	15 25
Poona Express	19 25
Allahabad Express	20 10
	Departures.
Allahabad Express	7 00
Poona Express	8 15
Poona Fast Passenger	11 50
Madras Express	13 55
Poona Mail	15 50
Deccan Queen	17 15
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	17 50
Punjab Mail	18 50
Calcutta Mail via Chheoki	21 45
Madras Mail	22 00
Nagpur Express	22 10
Peshawar and Lucknow Express	23 00

AT BOMBAY CENTRAL

	Arrivals H. M.
No. 8 Up Passenger	5 35
No. 20 Up Delhi Express	6 00
No. 2 Up Gujarat Mail	7 00
No. 10 Up Kathiawar Mail	7 40
*No. 4 Up Frontier Mail	8 30
No. 4 Up Frontier Mail (on Saturdays)	8 35
No. 12 Up Passenger	14 20
No. 16 Up Kathiawar Express	19 05
No. 6 Up Passenger	20 55
Departures from Bombay Central	
No. 15 Down Kathiawar Express	8 45
No. 9Down Passenger	8 55
No. 11 Down Passenger	13 25
No. 1 Down Gujarat Mail	20 25
No. 3 Down Frontier Mail	21 30
No. 5 Down Kathiawar Mail	21 45
No. 19 Down Delhi Express	22 00
No. 7 Down Passenger	23 15

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER

	H. M.
*On Saturday only Passengers going to Europe	8 50

HINDU DEEN DAYA SANGH

Saraswati Cinetone will give a special show of their popular talkie "Sham Sundar" at the Krishna Cinema" near the Girgaum Police Court, at 9-30 a.m. on Sunday the 28th instant. The entire proceeds of the show will be credited to the Foundling Home Fund" of the Hindu Deen Daya Sangh who are doing relief work for the last ten years. The President of the Sangh is Sir Govindrao Pradhan, Kt., and the Chairman of the Managing Committee is Dr. Mrs. Malinibai Sukhtankar.

The Regal (Always comfortably cool.) 2nd TRIUMPHANT WEEK! Daily 3 Shows at 3.30, 6-30 & 10 p. m.

No one but Charles Dickens could have written this tender and moving love story. No one but M-G-M could have given it the marvelous, star-studded production it cried out for!

With a star cast of 65 players featuring:
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MADGE EVANS • EDNA MAY OLIVER
FRANK LAWTON • ELIZABETH ALLAN
LIONEL BARRYMORE
FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW
LEWIS STONE • ROLAND YOUNG
Directed by GEORGE CUKOR, whose previous film success was "Little Women."
Produced by David O. Selznick

In And Around Bombay

(From Our Staff Correspondents)

Vithalbhai Memorial

There is a move in the suburbs of Bombay to raise a suitable memorial in honour of the late lamented Sjt. Vithalbhai Patel. There cannot be a happier idea than to perpetuate the memory of one of the greatest sons of India, whose patriotism as a national leader and whose acumen as a president of the Legislative Assembly, have been rivalled by very few.

The Suburban District Congress Committee of which the late Sjt. Vithalbhai was the President for some time ought to be proud of having been honoured with the help and advice of so astute a politician as the departed leader. In these days, when the Congress has adopted the Council-entry programme as part of its campaign for freedom, his example as a patriot and Assembly President has proved to be a guiding light and his sacrifice and response to the call of the nation would for ever inspire many an Indian in helping to reach the national goal. The need for erecting a memorial in his honour, therefore, cannot be too much stressed. The Suburban District Congress Committee should take advantage of the political conference which is meeting this evening at Vile Parle to discuss the proposal thoroughly and form a sub-committee so that the memorial may be an accomplished fact before long. By honouring the memory of such a national stalwart, the Suburban Committee would be honouring itself.

Adult Franchise For Bombay

It will be remembered that a mild sensation was created when Mr. M. R. Masani did not move the omnibus resolution about the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner and the municipal franchise in the Municipal Corporation. The next day Mr. Meherally came out with an explanation that as there was a possibility of the omnibus resolution being ruled out of order and also as individual members of the Corporation expressed their opinion that they were in agreement with particular portions of the omnibus resolution, Mr. Masani did not move it and decided to move separate resolutions on the subjects concerned.

The May agenda of the Bombay Corporation contains a resolution to be moved by Mr. Masani who seeks to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act, so as to provide that the sole qualifications of a voter should be the attainment of an age of 18 years and residence in the ward for a period of six months, instead of the present Rs. 10 qualification. There is a possibility of this resolution getting the support of all the sections of the House. But the question that arises is, how far, a resolution of the above kind affects the municipal franchise, as unless the Municipal Act is amended by the Bombay Legislative Council, the resolution itself will have no effect.

From enquiries made, it transpires, that there is no possibility of such a measure being passed by the Legislative Council during its present life as the Government would not like to take up any responsibility till the new reforms come into force.

CAUSING ILLEGAL OBSTRUCTION

Two Accused Get Jail And Fines

Found guilty of intentionally causing illegal obstruction to the lawful apprehension of Anant "alias" Antiya Mahadeo and also for causing hurt to three police constables while discharging their duties as public servants on 18th June last, Bartholo "alias" Bada D'Souza and Kassam Mahomed, were sentenced on Friday to 6 months' rigorous imprisonment and Rs. 50 fine (in default one month's rigorous imprisonment) respectively, by the Presidency Magistrate, Dadar Court.

From the evidence before him the Magistrate held that it had been clearly proved that Bartholo D'Souza had made desperate attempts to rescue the prisoner from the custody of the police by throwing soda water bottles at them and injuring them. The offence committed by the second accused was of a minor nature as it was proved that he had only indulged in throwing stones at the police from the midst of a crowd that had gathered on the scene.

UDAY SHANKAR'S GUJARAT TOUR

Visit To Surat, Baroda And Ahmedabad

Uday Shankar and his Company will leave Bombay on Saturday, 27th on a tour of Gujarat to give their dance performances at various places.

In Surat they will give one performance on Sunday, 28th at the Laxmikant Theatre, Station Road.

At Baroda they will give two performances on Monday, 29th and Tuesday, 30th at the Laxmipratap Theatre.

They will next proceed to Ahmedabad where they will give two performances at the Jupiter Talkies Theatre on May 2nd and 3rd. Here they have been invited by Sir Chimubai Madhavlal to be his guests.

PATHE DAILY 3-30, 6-30 & 10 p.m Sunday Morning 10 a.m.

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SILVER MOVEMENTS

The fresh rise ordered in the price of silver by the United States Government has made that metal break all previous records since 1924; and given a fillip to world speculation in the white metal, the end of which no one can see at present. The rise applies, of course, only to the silver produced in the United States, —so far as it is a compulsory price for the purchases of the American Government. But the indirect effect of that rise cannot but stimulate world speculation, which must react on world exchanges in a manner that the United States authorities can neither foresee nor control. The objective they are supposed to have set themselves to achieve is a regulated international bimetallism; and the first step to attain it is a corner in silver. It is, however, open to question whether, by such a procedure, the American Government will succeed in achieving an international bimetallism, in which silver would circulate—or be the basis for circulation and currency,—at a fixed ratio to gold. The other countries of the world,—whether to-day silver-using or gold-using,—have not signified their adherence to this forced and dubious experiment of the United States. The reason is quite simple: they have not the same interest in the maintenance of a market in silver that the United States, with its considerable capital investment in silver-mining, may have. Besides, it is by no means an accepted fact that silver, if adopted as a basis of currency, side by side with gold, would make the world exchanges more stable than they have been under the monometallic system. The chances are, in fact, that there would be a four-fold risk of fluctuation; and so world prices would be the prey of a double series of oscillations—a condition which cannot minister to a sound world economy.

What Is The Purpose?

Even in the United States itself, it is difficult to understand the wisdom or necessity of such a measure. To the superficial critic, these rapid and disjointed rises in silver prices appear as though the President and his colleagues are surrendering at discretion to the silver interests and inflationist demands. The surrender besides, appears to be dictated, not because Government are convinced of the wisdom of such changes, but because they are anxious for another term at the White House secured as a result of the presidential election next year. But even if we would not assume this crude and superficial motive for the President's action, we cannot quite appreciate the justice or economy of such a measure. The first effect is that speculation responds instantaneously to such rises in silver prices. Such speculation cannot possibly be regarded as being in the best interests of world economy. The President and his advisers cannot be unaware of the reaction of such measures, again, on the currency situation in China or Mexico. Nor can they refuse to understand that the policy, if persisted in, would force China to give up her present metallic monetary standard, and join the sterling group,—or any other group of unstable currencies, which is one of the most considerable factors in continuing the depression that affects the economy of the whole civilised world. If silver-using countries like China are thus forced out of the silver market, what good would the Roosevelt policy have done even to the American national economy? For such a policy does not, indeed, help to increase the purchasing power of the silver using countries, like India or China, as might seem at first sight. By raising the value of the silver coin, there is indirectly an appreciation in the exchange value of such currencies, which would, if anything, tend to depress the exports from such countries still further. It may be that, in consequence of the rise in the price of silver, the present value of stored or existing wealth, already produced, may seem to appreciate in local currency for a while. But, how much of such stored wealth exists in these admittedly very poor countries? Such as does exist, is in the hand of the propertied classes, or easy victim of speculative interests. To these the speculative appreciation in local currency may mean a profit; but the exports from such countries would become more and more difficult. Should the silver content of the rupee go on rising in value; and it become in consequence unprofitable for Britain to maintain even the present ratio of the rupee in exchange with sterling, they would easily break the link, and obtain the adventitious aid secured by a further appreciation of the rupee, for their own exports to this country. How would it then help the producer in this country if the rupee value of his produce is nominally higher? Perhaps even the present shrunken market for Indian exports would be lost.

A New Spectre

All this might be tolerated, if it were only a transitional hardship, were one assured that, at the end of the period of transition, a stable basis would be reached and maintained; and that all national currencies would be valued at such a rate as would best accord with local conditions of trade and production. But there is,—and can be,—no assurance of such a consummation of present vacillations. The American Government are, accordingly, not helping the cause of world recovery,—and much less aiding their own objective of a more balanced national economy,—by decreeing such spasmodic rises in the value of silver. They are, indeed, according to the latest cables, not themselves buying silver at such increased prices,—even though they still need to buy some 1,000 million ounces of silver to make up the required proportion in their currency reserve of 1:3 as between gold and silver. But whether they buy themselves or not,—whether even they sell at such inflated prices the silver they have already purchased, as by law they are entitled to do if so they choose,—the economic utility of such a policy,—considered in all its aspects and reactions,—is extremely difficult to appreciate or approve. The appointment of a couple of Committees to investigate the working of the New Deal as regards cotton, taken in conjunction with such measures, may indicate that the President is feeling by no means quite sanguine about the achievements of his New Deal. And if one part of that programme is proved or admitted to be unworkable, or a failure, the rest of it may have to be scrapped in a panic. America is a land where such hasty decisions are not utterly unthinkable; and so the menace of uncertainty, raised by these recent fiats of the American Treasury, has become a new spectre before the starved proletariat of a bewildered world.

Congress And Socialists

The second and last day of the All-India Congress Committee's meeting was a day of a trial of strength between the Congress Socialist Party and what may be called the orthodox Congress Party. Socialism is nothing wholly new in a country where from times immemorial the land, the principal source of wealth, has belonged to the State. But in its full modern form Socialism has been rather late in coming to India. During the last four or five years, however, it has made wonderfully fast progress in the country and has already made its mark in the Congress organisation. The Karachi resolution on fundamental rights is clearly inspired by Socialist principles, between which and those of Gandhian philosophy, there is much that is common. Its burning sympathy for the poor is naturally winning for it thousands of adherents in a country where millions are wedded for life to extreme poverty. In this respect Gandhiji has verily paved the way for Socialism. If the dominant principle of Socialism is the insistence on the economic and political rights of the poor Gandhiji is one of the greatest Socialists. Thus for many reasons Socialism has been making fast progress in India during the last few years. If, at any time, the progress tends to slacken a bit, Government's distrust of it gives it the necessary fillip.

Several resolutions, moved by the Congress Socialist Party, were either ruled out by the President or refused consideration by the meeting itself. But so far as their merits go, many in the A.I.C.C. appreciate them. And the Party is a fast-growing body. Mr. Sampurnanand's resolution was not ruled out by the President, but the meeting refused to consider it because it contained some items the consideration of which just at present would be a little premature. Its definition of the procedure of a Constituent Assembly was correct so far as it went, and by itself would have been accepted by the meeting. But it was coupled with other items such as the compulsory capture of Councils in any circumstances, and the wrecking of the whole of the proposed constitution and the non-acceptance of office in any circumstances. The chances are that soon enough the circumstances would favour the adoption of the above resolution substantially. But there was force in the contention that there was just a possibility of a situation arising when even the use of the Councils directly by Congress might be inadvisable or when a course might be found necessary materially different from the one dictated by the resolution. And when the President assured the House that it would be duly consulted before these questions were decided by the Congress executive, the meeting naturally deferred the consideration of the resolution.

The Socialist Party's anti-war resolution would probably have been accepted by the House if it only expressed an opinion against war and commended a general educative anti-war propaganda. But it went farther and, in the event of a war breaking out, would compel the Congress to offer Civil Disobedience, not necessarily when the country was prepared for it, but when Government chose to thrust it on the people. From this point of view the resolution was premature and too serious to be decided off-hand. The House rightly refused to consider it at this stage. Mr. N. V. Gadgil's resolution on Congress support to the States' people struggling for freedom was carefully worded, and the House did well to adopt it despite the fears expressed about giving effect to it. The precise nature of Congress support would, of course, depend on various circumstances, but it would be unworthy and most inexpedient for Congress to disown any obligation to the States' pleople in their struggle for freedom against tremendous odds. The resolution owed its success largely to the support it received from the Socialists and convinced even the Congress veterans that the Congress Socialists are a force to be reckoned with.

ADULT EDUCATION IN INDIA

The Guiding Principles

(By S. G. WARTY. M.A.)

II

Having pointed out the various meanings in which the term "Adult Education" is being used in present days, I shall now discuss the practical principles which should guide us in our efforts to spread it. The first thing we have to observe is that adults are not children without experience of practical affairs of life. The Hartog Committee states emphatically as follows:—

"We desire here to state our belief that there are large numbers of persons in the country, who though not classified in the census as literate, not only manage their own affairs and those of their families competently, but are fully capable of taking an intelligent part in public life. Inherited traditions, natural shrewdness and ability and practical experience assist many illiterate men to act as intelligent citizens and illiterate women to be good wives and mothers, ruling their households with wisdom and success."

It will thus be seen that want of literacy is no impediment to the cultivation of an intelligent interest in social and public life. What the adult actually needs is "nurture" in the sense in which we used the word above. He wants education, through participation in the work of social institutions of various types and character. The co-operative society, the museum, the theatre, the cinema, social gatherings, public ceremonies, festivals, all these have to be utilised to educate the adult.

A Process Of Entertaining

The principal point that has to be borne in mind is that, while this process is educative in its aim, it should be entertaining in its method, in the sense that the adult takes an automatic interest therein. The child is "instructed" in schools, but the adults

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THE NEW ASSEMBLY

In Mr. Bhulabhai Congress Party Has A Leader Who Knows The Difficult Art Of Keeping Men Together

By SRI PRAKASH M.L.A.

II

We have three other groups in the Assembly. The European, the Congress Nationalists and the Muslim Independents. The European group is an interesting group; and it must be said to its credit that it takes things seriously and does what it thinks is right without fear or favour; without caring whether it is acting against Government or against the Congress. So far as European commercial interests are concerned it is adamant; but, apart from that, it has struck me as having much independence of judgment for it has often thrown its weight on the side of the Opposition. India really is not divided between Europeans and Indians so much as between officials and non-officials. As things are, a European non-official and an Indian non-official have more in common than a European non-official and a European official. So a European official and an Indian official have far more in common than an Indian official and an Indian non-official. Numerous speeches in the recent session of the Assembly go to prove the truth of what I say. That is why the cry of Indianisation of services or racial discussions savouring of European vs. Indian, do not appeal to me; and it would be good if Congressmen in the Assembly would avoid these topics as much as they avoid Hindu and Muslim communal squabbles. I feel certain that as time goes on, the European non-official group will come closer to the Congress than to the Government. All Indian officials will always be with the Government rather than the Congress, however much we may cry for higher salaries and more and more places for our countrymen in the services.

Nationalist Party

The Congress Nationalist group is really a part of the Congress group; and it is pity that there has been any war between the official Congress Party and the members of this group at the time of the elections or elsewhere. This group, however, differs from the Congress on the question of the Communal Award inasmuch as it definitely works against it; while the Congress, though it dislikes the Award as much as anybody else, does not want to express its opinion on it, but seeks to find a solution of the problem by mutual negotiation. Also, the group seems to be divided against itself, for members thereof vote much as they like and very often enter different lobbies at the same division. It would be best if an attempt were made to bring this group and the official Congress party nearer to each other and bind them under one discipline.

Muslim Independents

The Muslim Independents do not appear to be a very happy family party either, except that all of them seem to be very keen on more and more places for Muslims in the services for which they fight at every step. Many of them seem more inclined towards the Congress than towards the Government, and many a time their votes have turned the scales against Government at division time. The younger element seems to be as dissatisfied with things as they are as the most extreme Congressman. I have no doubt that as time passes, their keenness for Government service for their community, will get less and less and they would also feel the justice and necessity of joining the Congress more and more, and take broad national views on all subjects.

Nominated Members

The nominated non-officials form an interesting set of individuals. They are not all so backboneless as may be suspected and do not deserve the epithets so often carelessly hurled against them. Mr. Joshi has always been known for independence and so he need not be mentioned except to express sur-

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Frankly Speaking

MACDONALD AND GERMANY.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's article in the "News Letter" is a lucid and correct critical exposition of the attitude that Germany has thought fit to adopt. Mr. MacDonald we are glad to note, admits that the substance of Germany's general case has "the background of reason and human nature." But he points out that she has acted in a way which destroys the feeling of mutual confidence. Mr. MacDonald charges Germany with having broken up the road to peace and beset it with terrors. For, as he very aptly remarks, Germany "asks other nations to accept her verbal pledge of pacific intentions which she herself would not accept from her neighbours." Mr. MacDonald's accusation is just and his criticism unanswerable. But what is more valuable is his hint that the door of honourable settlement is still open. Practical wisdom demands that Germany should agree to negotiate on the basis of the Stresa resolutions.

COMMUNAL RIOTS.

The All-India Congress Committee has passed a resolution regretting the communal riots in various places and it unmistakably pointed to the original source of such riots by appealing to the leaders of the communities not to make inflammatory speeches—incidentally, it has always been a source of, shall we say, mild wonder to us why action against Communalist leaders and tub-thumpers is very rarely taken by protectors of Public Tranquillity and Law and Order. We are also glad that the Working Committee has condemned the violent attack by a Muslim mob of Firozabad on Dr. Jivram's house in which 13 lives were lost. That incendiarism is an instance of diabolical madness which must make every decent-minded person, whether Hindu or Muslim, shudder with horror.

MUSLIMS' DUTY.

In this connection we must invite the attention of Musalmans to the urgent obligations that they owe not so much to themselves as to Islam. They must, in justice and fairness to their religion, denounce in unqualified terms the heartless brutality that was perpetrated at Firozabad. We are gratified to note that a lead has been given by the Honourable Shaikh Mushir Husain Kidwai, a U. P. Member of the Council of State, and Mr. A. K. Fazlul Haq, M.L.A. We congratulate them both and we particularly congratulate the latter on drawing attention to the Muslim League's tragic lapse in this behalf. This lapse does not add to the prestige—if they have any prestige—of those who control the Muslim League.

NAZI PRESS "LAW."

Among the many fantastical and eccentric acts of suppression that the Nazis have perpetrated the latest "law" relating to the press must rank very high indeed. Under regimes of Dictatorship it is of course common knowledge that no newspaper can flourish save that which supports authority. But Nazi Germany does not content herself with it. Even if a newspaper is politically unobjectionable, it will not be allowed unless proof is furnished that every one connected with it—and his wife too!—can date back his Aryan origin to the year 1800. This is not law, but maniacal absurdity. Equally objectionable is the prohibition of publication of newspapers by joint stock companies, public, professional, co-operative and similar organisation. Indeed, in principle, control over newspapers by corporations is safer and more conducive to public good than by individuals. But dictatorship,—certainly Nazi dictatorship—has a perverted sense of principles. It is, however, noteworthy that the dictatorship is keenly jealous of its authority even against its "principles." The "law" has been promulgated in one breath and placed in the next, under the complete control of Party's Press Chief.

"ET TU"?

Mr. N. M. Joshi's speech at the Western India National Liberal Association on Wednesday might well have been made by a Congressman and might lead officials to cry: "Et tu"? He explains therein at some length why he often voted with the Congress and against Government. He thinks that Government are getting more irresponsive to public opinion and are treating the Legislature with "supreme contempt" as, for instance, a Hitler or Mussolini would treat. If any friends of Government expected that at least the President, Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, would pull up Mr. Joshi for his extremist tendencies, they were much mistaken. Sir Chimanlal went farther and said that he agreed with Mr. Joshi in every thing except on one thing, namely, the raising of income tax level, on which he would have voted against Government. He was more outspoken, too, with regard to the working of the new reforms. He said that, while the reforms had got to be worked somehow, it would be impossible to work them in a contented manner. "The temptation would be irresistible," he added, "to work the unacceptable constitution in such a way as to expose its glaring defects and to create situations whereby the pace could be forced and a better constitution obtained." The Congress Parliamentary Board need not go very far in search of a formula to describe the method of working the new constitution.

-PRESS VIEWS-

Welcome Plain-Speaking

Mr. Fazlul Haque has done a distinct service to the country and particularly to his community by thoroughly exposing the attitude of the All-India Muslim League towards the Firozabad tragedy. "I am surprised that the All-India Muslim League, while passing such a lengthy resolution about the Karachi affair, has not a word to say in condemnation of Firozabad outrages." Mr. Huq has compared the conduct of the Hindu members of the Assembly who voted for the adjournment motion in the Assembly in connection with the Karachi firing with the attitude of the members of the Muslim League who did not think fit to make even a casual reference to the Firozabad outrages. The public will appreciate his outspoken criticism of the conduct of the Muslim League.—"Advance."

Political Futility

We have no hesitation in characterising the action of the Hindu Mahasabha in appealing to the King-Emperor over the head of the British Parliament in the matter of the framing of India's future constitution as a sheer waste of time and energy, a piece of political futility, pure and simple. Whatever the Royal Titles Act of 1876 may say, the King of England, reigns and does not rule, and whether as Emperor of India or in any other capacity acts and can only act on the advice of his constituted advisers, who are not only members of Parliament but absolutely amenable to its authority, control and disciplinary jurisdiction. Any Minister who advised the King to ignore the wishes of the British Parliament and to act on his own authority with regard to any matter, whether pertaining to India or otherwise, would be sent into the wilderness for the rest of his life, even if he did not have a worse fate.—"Tribune."

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Mr. Ramsay—we had almost written Remarkable—MacDonald's review of the European situation in the "News Letter" is described by Reuter as "remarkable."

It is—as every swan song is.

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Mr. MacDonald effectively destroys the German position which he sums up thus: "You must trust me. I have no designs upon you."

We are reminded of the assurances of Mr. MacDonald and other Britishers to India.

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Mr. Bhulabhai Desai confesses that he intimated to Mr. Aney the C. P. B.'s offer to Malaviyaji of the Benares-Gorakhpur constituency and that he has not had any reply from Mr. Aney.

It is, therefore, clear that Mr. Bhulabhai owes an apology to Malaviyaji for Mr. Aney's silence.

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Addressing the Council of the Western India Liberal Association Mr. N. M. Joshi referred to the J. P. C. debate in the Assembly and said that he had no alternative but, first, to vote for the Congress Amendment.

We wonder why Sir Cowasji Jehangir did not promptly interrupt.

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Mr. M. N. Joshi fears that members of the Government of India were imbibing the doctrines of Signor Mussolini and Herr Hitler.

But the masters ought to feel more or less satisfied with the promising progress that is being made by the pupils.

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By the way, we draw the attention of Sir N. N. Sircar and Sir Henry Craik to the new "Law" that Nazi Germany has just promulgated in connection with the Press. We are sure they will find in it a few useful and inspiring ideas.

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Sir Chimanlal Setalvad has repudiated the interpretation put "in certain quarters" (!) on his pronouncement relating to the Government of India Bill.

'Vox Populi' can really perform miracles.

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Sir Chimanlal, of course, still believes in co-operation. But a wrong impression was conveyed about his idea of how the Bill had to be worked. What he suggested was not responsive co-operation but a sort of wrecking co-operation—sorry, very sorry, we don't mean that Sir Chimanlal means it but that's the wrong impression conveyed till his next pronouncement.

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There is, says an Anglo-Indian journal, a great difference between the major problems confronting the police in India and those which meet the Metropolitan police in London.

Quite so. For instance, the latter have to concern themselves with the public's comfort and convenience, the former with "Public Peace and Tranquility."

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The Postmaster-General declared in Parliament that the British Government did not intend to jam wireless messages from Moscow.

We hope it doesn't pickle them either.

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Sir Samuel Hoare, who was reported to be ill with congestion in the lungs, is progressing normally.

—Bori Bundar.

And evidently in respectful sympathy our contemporary thought that it should at least suffer from congestion of the first letter of lungs.

We wish both a speedy recovery.

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Modesty, says Captain Gladstone Solomon, is not, unfortunately, a modern asset in art.

We most heartily agree. In fact, the truth is the other way about.

We wanted to dilate further upon the theme but we wouldn't add to the already existing nuisances by a fratricidal row with K. H. Vakil.

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According to mail advices, Bahram, the Aga Khan's unbeaten colt and a strong favourite for the Derby developed a chill and with it a temperature.

We earnestly hope the distinguished patient is now quite all right.

But an emergent meeting of the Muslim Conference should at once be called by Sir Md. Yakub.

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Our Hyderabad (Sind) correspondent complains that the town "has actually become an auctioning place for bridegrooms."

But slaves ought always to have a competitive purchase price.

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Conjurer: "Now, sir, you hear your watch ticking inside this handkerchief. Are you satisfied?"

Member of the audience (delightedly): "More than satisfied. It hasn't been going for a month."

Peasantry And Swaraj

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...ie primitive nature of the ...plements, the poor quality of ...e seed and manure, lack of private finance and absence of state help, all make for very sorry conditions. All that the few research institutes do is to eat up money without any corresponding benefit in the shape of agricultural improvement. The Government depend less than half anna per acre on agriculture as compared with 1sh. 11d. the United Kingdom spends on her agriculture.

The subsidy paid to the steel industry exceeds the amount spent on agriculture although agriculture supports 224 millions as against 300,000 in iron and steel industry. It shows the strength of capitalism in the imperialist regime.

RURAL INDEBTEDNESS.

Rural indebtedness has of late become such a scandal that it hardly needs any special commentary. This is no doubt the result of an economic system that compels the peasant to borrow for his daily existence and leaves no margin for saving. The total debt is estimated at 900 crores by the Banking Enquiry Committee. But what is so deplorable is that the bulk of this debt is unproductive. The principal source that supplies the loans is the professional money-lender who, according to the MacLagen Committee, charges as much as 60 per cent interest. Usury has thus become all pervading and all powerful, for under the existing judicial and revenue systems the money-lender's position is become consolidatel. The Agricultural Commission commenting on rural debt says: "To a great extent the cultivator in India labours not for a profit, not for a net return, but for subsistence. The crowding of the people on the land, the lack of alternative means of securing a living, the difficulty of finding any avenue of escape, and the early age at which the man is burdened with dependents, combine to force the cultivator to grow food wherever he can, on whatever terms he can. Where his land has passed into the possession of his creditor, no legislation will serve his need; no tenancy law will protect him; for food he needs land, and for land he must plead before a creditor to whom he probably already owes more than the total value of the whole of his assets. That creditor is only interested in the immediate exploitation of the property in his control. "The transference of the land from the cultivator to the money-lender is another destructive factor in the villages." Uncontrolled by legislation, these money-lenders prey on their easy victims. Co-operative credit societies do not solve this problem They merely add to the debts. The evil is much more fundamental and has to be taken as a whole and the entire system revolutionised to obtain any appreciable change for the better.

LAND TENURE & LAND TAX.

Lack of education is another serious handicap the Indian peasantry suffers from. The low literacy figures can be explained by the following facts: Money spent on education per head in India is 9d. as compared with £2 15s. in England. But the pivot round which all rural life revolves is Land Tenure. All else is dependent on and subservient to it. Linked up with this is the question of land tax. I shall first deal with the latter. India is one of the most heavily taxed countries of the world. It is one of the main causes of the heavy rural indebtedness. The Commission of Enquiry after the Peasant Riots of Deccan in 1870 says: "We have endeavoured to show that the normal condition of the ryot is one of indebtedness owing to causes some natural and others the result of our administration." While the prices of agricultural products have been steadily falling the taxes have been steadily mounting until the country is well-nigh on the verge of an economic collapse. In some districts they have increased by 100 per cent in the last 100 years. To-day as the result of tax enhancement in the District of Kanara, 125,000 small holdings out of a total of 138,000, are being completely wiped out and eight times as many are going hungry. And it is no wonder when prices are to-day down by over 50 per cent.

ABSENTEE LANDLORDISM

And now to come to the most important question of land tenure It varies almost from province to province but generally speaking there are 3 broad types: the zamindari, the mahalwari and the ryotwari. Originally there were a number of revenue farmers for collecting taxes. British imperialism endowed them with full proprietary rights. In some provinces where no such revenue farmers existed the Government created zamindars out of enterprising contractors. As Baden-Powell remarks, "The real zamindar in his natural growth of a century was bad enough; but what could be said for an auction room landlord?" In Central Provinces we have a similar instance of proprietary rights being conferred on revenue farmers, although every village was a ryotwari one. This has endowed India with all the evils of absentee landlordism and rack-renting. As Prof. Carver has remarked: "Next to war, pestilence and famine, the worst thing that can happen to a rural community is absentee landlordism." It has meant the wholesale neglect of land and the continuous drain of all available from the villages towards urban areas, and the utter starvation of the former.

SLAVES OF THE SOIL.

Then there are the agricultural labourers who form about 18 to 20 per cent. of the total population or whose state is little short of slavery. There is just one other factor that adds to the burden of the peasant, the currency policy of the Government.

INDUSTRIAL INDIA.

Now let us turn to the other aspect of Indian economic life, industry. It is still in its infancy. A good deal of the industrial development came during the war more as a military necessity. This backwardness has had a most disastrous effect on the entire national economics. The poor condition of industry also keeps the standard of living of the labourer low. The hours of work though shortened by recent legislation, are still too high for a tropical country like India. Ravages of disease and poor diet once again play here, as in the villages, the same havoc with these toilers. The housing is bad and inadequate. The condition of factories is too bad in the absence of statutory control over the construction of mills and other factories and, to quote the Labour Commission, "a large number, probably the majority of the factory owners, make no endeavour to mitigate the discomfort, to use a mild word, that the hot weather brings to their operatives." 97 per cent. of the workmen live in single rooms —that is 66 per cent. of the total population on an average 6 to 9 persons occupying one room. In London 6 per cent. of the total population lives in single tenement houses with an average of 1.92 persons per room. It is no wonder that infant mortality has reached the figures of 828.5 per 1,000 in cities like Bombay.

WAGES AND LABOUR.

The wages paid are most inadequate and due to depression they are being still lowered. According to Mr. Brailsford for every £100 which these mills paid in profits to their shareholders in Scotland, they paid £12 to their Indian labourers. The system of recruitment of Labour makes the labourer fall an easy prey to the clutching tentacles of the money-lender who advances money on the prospective wages and thus gets a grip on the labourer. And when wages are so arbitrarily fixed as they are in India, the labourer has poor hopes of getting out of the debt.

IMMEDIATE NEED.

The immediate task before the country to-day is, therefore, the organising of the peasants and the workers for through them alone the struggle for freedom can achieve its purpose. Powerful Trade Unions and strong Peasant Leagues will lay the foundation of such a mass movement. The Peasant movement in India has a particular significance for in an industrially backward country the appreciation of its decisive role is the tactical task of the movement. The economic motive is one of the most powerful factors common to all mankind. It has played an important part in the India of the past and will play an equally great or perhaps greater part in the India of the future. There is, therefore, no occasion for diffidence. If one has to visualise a free India one has to think of the complete wiping out of all forms of exploitation, whether they be of one class over another, one caste over another or one sex over another. It is such an India that we dream of and strive to make, a land of real freedom. But the key to it lies in the hands of the masses, the peasants and the workers and they alone can unlock that magic door that will lead us to that state of freedom which comrades all the world over are dreaming of and striving for.

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MODERN PERSIAN ART

Town Hall Exhibition

(By Our Art Critic).

The exhibition of the paintings of Aga Darwish of Teheran, arranged by the Iran League at the Town Hall, should be of great interest to those who have been watching modern art developments in countries once famous for their art achievements. As every student of Indian art knows, India has decidedly benefited by her contact with Persian art. To those familiar with "Mughal" art the paintings by Aga Darwish are instructive for less abstract reasons than their affinity in origin with "Mughal" or "Mougal" paintings.

TWO THEMES.

Aga Darwish's paintings depict two themes—the "Shah Nameh" series and the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayam. Both these subjects are familiar to students of "Oriental" art. The Rubaiyat have been the pet theme or shall we say the starting theme of every ambitious "Oriental" painter in Europe and America. And, since the vastly vague territory of the "Orient" has been a perpetual romance with the West the Rubaiyat have been the subject of adoring attention from a number of Indian painters who describe themselves as "Oriental" artists. And, it is only recently that a voice from Oxford protested against this Indian attitude of dependence on alien themes for painting fostered sedulously for years by the romantic antiquarians who have been with strange optimism and stranger indiscrimination lecturing India about "Oriental" art. Aga Darwish's paintings now shown at the Town Hall, are evidence of the fact that the "Oriental" romancer in India and in Europe and America was forcing his acquired taste. Aga Darwish's lyric fantasies in colour, colour that is boldly grasped and treated—and in line—line that proclaims the complete Sufi—indicate vividly the distinction between his translation of the Sufi poet and the "Oriental" versions of Europe and America that have been such a profitable rage for some decades.

"SHAH NAMEH" PICTURES.

One would like to speak of the "Shah Nameh" pictures. They are virile, full of the spirit of heroism and the restless manifestations of the war spirit. The battle ships and particularly pictures like the Pahelwans killed in a hurricane conducting "Kaikhusrow" (133), the "Battle of Iskander with "Naron-e-payan" (159), the "Armies of Kaikhusrow and Afrasiab Arrayed for Battle," (124) "Kaikhusrow sends Tus to Day-estan, (111)"; "Battle of Gin with Piran," or "Rustam takes the Chinese Prince" (94) or "Rustam sends the war Prisoner to Kaikhusrow" (96) persuade one to admire the work of an artist who has dared to paint in the spirit of the Shah Nameh and in the spirit congenial to his country. These want ample leisure to watch, study and appreciate. But there are some paintings particularly the panels where solitary figure are depicted in more or less reposeful mood and simple colour, schemes of light brown and blue. If one sees the restlessness in the more elaborate composition, less one sees the artist's skill in lines that fix character. We are told in the foreword to the catalogue by Mme. Stella Kramrisch that the large Shah Nameh paintings "are miniature only in physical size." They are, she proceeds, "to be enlarged by the mind" or "the magic lantern to any degree without loss of valour." This is clever although rather unconvincing and far fetched apology. But was it necessary? Aga Darwish's paintings need no apology. They need no "enlarging" of valour either by the mind or the magic lantern. It is, however, Aga Darwish poetic fantasies of the Rubaiyat that would seem to be the chief attraction of the exhibition. They need not be specifically mentioned. For almost every one of them is a sonnet in colour. From the charming and to many of us unconventional borders, from the figures which cross re-cross at all angles, on the borders to the exquisite domain of the fairy world. Aga Darwish leads our dream haunted imagination, and colourful regions of poetic experiences that are the heritage of the land. His paintings have the Sufi individuality in line, colour and composition that effectively re-creates the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayam. Aga Darwish may be described as his Fitzerald in painting. Perhaps, it is more native and more intense a version of the Rubaiyat than Fitzerald's. The exhibition, will remain open till the 30th.

HOLLYWOOD MYSTERY

Series Of Shootings After Dinner Party; Puzzle For Police

(SPECIAL CABLE).

HOLLYWOOD, April 26.

A mysterious series of shootings is occupyng the attention of the police here.

Dress designer Paul Wharton was found shot in his home after a dinner party last evening whereat there were two guests. Wharton's paralysed adoptive mother lay helpless in the adjoining room at the shots rang out but she dragged herself to the next room and found Wharton dying from four wounds. The murderer escaped through the window.

Later, shots from another apartment a short distance away brought the police who found William Howard, believed to be Wharton's chauffeur, was shot dead and Henry Belle a teacher in a critical condition. Bolte in a weak condition told the police that he was unlocking the door of his apartment when an unknown man shot him in the back.

PATAUDI UNABLE TO PLAY FOR WORCESTER

LONDON, April 26.

Worcestershire received a cable from the Nawab of Pataudi in India saying that he is unable to play for Worcester in 1935 owing to ill-health.—Reuter's Special.

ADULT EDUCATION IN INDIA

(Continued from page 6).

have to be "nurtured" in social institutions.

These institutions need not be newly created except in certain instances. We should take advantage of the institutions that already exist, but so direct their activities that the members would feel a new sense of existence, assimilate new ideas, and learn to keep their mind fresh and open.

Lectures and demonstrations may also be arranged from time to time on civic subjects, and debates may be held on particular occurrences of public character. Only, care should be taken that the treatment is practical, the theory and the principles being explained in the process.

I am of considered opinion that regular classes to spread literacy among the adults should be preceded by a certain course of entertaining lectures, embellished with apt stories and anecdotes and full of varied information of a miscellaneous character such as would arouse the adult's interest in knowing more and stimulate his desire to grow self-dependent in the acquisition of knowledge. In other words, the adult after half a dozen lectures of this type, must automatically begin to feel that he should learn to read from books and entertain himself during his leisure hours with benefit to his mind.

It is at this stage that regular classes should be organised for the adults, to be held, say, for an hour a day. The chief difficulty that will have to be experienced in regard to these classes is to get regular attendance and particular care will have to be taken to consult the convenience of those for whom the classes are meant.

I think that with one hour a day, an adult may within one year, easily pick up sufficient acquaintance with letters to enable him to read a book. This practice will have to be developed for a year more, so that the adult may thereafter hope to be self-reliant in the matter of mental nourishment.

One other point which I should emphasize in this is that ordinarily, attempts at literacy should be confined to adults of not more than 30 years old, for, after the age of 30, a man's capacity to attain literacy as such is greatly weakened.

Relapse Into Illiteracy

Similar treatment is necessary for the cure of relapses into illiteracy. The reasons for such relapse into illiteracy are obvious. As the Hartog Committee pointed out, retention of initial literacy at the early age of ten or eleven depends largely on environment, and the environment of the great majority of Indian pupils who leave school at the primary stage is not conducive to such retention.

"The parents in the village home are usually illiterate, they are too poor to buy books, and attractive vernacular literature and periodicals for children are not available, though there are vernacular books which might be read by children under religious impulse."

It should also be emphasized here that for such kind of people to whom the primary ability to read and write has opened the high road to knowledge, the provision of suitable libraries is indispensable, if the community is to read the full advantage of the sacrifice made to spread the literacy. In this and many other respects, adult education is not very different from what is known as rural uplift. Both are identical in aim and similar in methods. The principal object is to teach the men and women, through methods referred to above, to look up and to look round, to aspire for higher things and to strive for a better standard of living, and to cultivate the quality of neighbourliness, the ideals of citizenship and a spirit of service to the community.

The adults as a class, with their minds opened to the value and utility of knowledge, would also be anxious to send their children to school at any cost, while the younger adults may still manage to find time to learn the three R's. The Royal Commission on Agriculture would seem to have visualised the position correctly when they observed in their report that adult education should precede compulsory universal education of children at leas by a generation.

Jubbulpore Gives Lead To Country

CONGRESS PRESIDENT ON BENGAL DETENUS

Proposes To Implement A.I.C.C Resolution For Relief

JUBBULPORE, April 26.

Prior to leaving, Babu Rajendraprasad in the course of an exclusive interview to the United Press said:—

"The All-India Congress Committee took stock of not only the situation in the country, but also decided to strengthen the Congress organisation to push through the constructive programme as chalked out in Bombay.

Still Unlawful!

Despite the fact the Civil Disobedience movement was withdrawn a year ago, the ban on Congress organisations still continues. The Hindustan Sevadal and Khudai Khidmatgar, both of which are completely under Congress discipline, are still "Unlawful Associations."

A. I. C. C.'s Call To Nation

The Congress nowadays does not ordinarily pass protest resolutions, and appropriately enough, the A. I. C. C. calls upon the country to strengthen the Congress organisations and simply take note of these facts.

Woes Of Bengal

Referring to Bengal he said:—"Bengal has been the victim of a particularly virulent policy of repression. Thousands of youngmen have been detained without trial and without any opportunity being given to clear their character before an impartial tribunal.

In many cases, they happen to be the mainstay of their families, and their dependents are left in destitute without any means of support. The Committee expressed its sympathy with such sufferers and demanded their release or fair trial, and it also decided to collect information and funds for the relief of detenus' families.

Appeal For Funds

"I am going to issue an appeal for funds and take immediate steps to give effect to that resolution. I hope the country would respond generously."

Regarding the Congress Parliamentary Board, he said:—"The Congress Parliamentary Board is a strong body, comprising as it does, representatives from provinces, as also some prominent persons keenly interested in the Parliamentary programme of the Congress. It is however not by the resolution that the A. I. C. C. has adopted that the Congress can be strengthened, but it is for the workers to see that the new constitution is enforced and large numbers of members are enrolled. It is no use asking for spicy programme. The humdrum work of laying a solid foundation must be done with determination and perseverance and I hope all Congressmen and women will realise that it is impossible to build anything substantial without a solid foundation of a strong Congress organisation."

Sardar Patel leaves to-night for Allahabad. Prior to his leaving interviewed, he said that he has no fresh programme in his hand save one passed in the Bombay Congress, which he expects every Congressman will try his best to fulfil.—United Press.

CASE AGAINST SCINDIAS

Charges Framed Against Directors, Manager And Auditors

Three charges were framed against the Directors, Manager, Accountant and Auditors of the Scindia Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, in respect of three items appearing in the Statutory Report alleged to be false, both in their narration and accuracy.

The accused in the case are:—(1) Mr. Walchand Hirachand, Director, (2) Sir Lallubhai Samaldas Director, (3) Mr. M. D. Raote, Accountant, (4) Mr. Mansookhlal Atmaram Master, Manager, (5) Mr. N. M. Raiji of Messrs. S. B. Billimoria and Co., Auditors; and (6) Mr. Bharat of Messrs. K. S. Iyer and Co. Auditors.

CHARGES.

The complainant Mr. Ardeshir R. Subedar had alleged that (a) the item of Rs. 50,74,323 appearing in the Statutory Report was false both in its narration and accuracy (b) Rs. 66,28,360, appearing in the Statutory Report was inaccurate as the real sum ought to have been Rs. 79,20,340, (c) the item of Rs. 94,34,604 alleged to have been utilised as the investment for the purchase of the Palace Shipping Co. was false in its narration, as it merely stated the purchase of shares and not the assets and the outstandings.

ADJOURNMENT GRANTED.

After protracted hearings, Sir Hormuzdiar P. Dastur on Friday framed charges against the accused to which they severally pleaded not guilty.

Mr. S. G. Velinkar applied for an adjournment of the case and the Magistrate fixed July 5.

Woman Sustains Serious Burns

One Devikabai Ladak, residing in Abdur Rehman Street received serious burns on Friday night when her sari caught fire from a burning stove.

She was immediately removed to the G. T. Hospital where she is lying in a precarious condition.

PARSI PRAYER FOR KING'S JUBILEE

Dastoor Rastomji Sanjana, the Head Priest of Parsis, has composed a special prayer of invocation to Ahura Mazda. The prayer will be recited at the Wadia Fire Temple on the occasion of Their Majesties Silver Jubilee celebrations.

JUBILEE FUND

As per List No. 11 of Their Majesties' Silver Jubilee Celebration Fund, the total contributions received upto April 24, 1935, amount to Rs. 4,91,802-10-11.

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Toleration Among Muslims

EXAMPLES FROM THE LIFE OF THE PROPHET

Our Readers' Views

(BY A MUSLIM.)

Ask any Musalman whether Islam inculcates toleration or not and he will at once reply in the affirmative. Nay, he will go a step further and say that it is Islam and Islam alone which teaches toleration to a degree unknown to the other religions of the world. And the fact is that Islam does teach toleration to a remarkable extent but the fault lies with its followers.

Only recently several Hindus were murdered for reviling the Prophet of Islam, may the peace of God be upon him! Surely the murdered Hindus had done a great wrong, and the mischief started by them could have been nipped in the bud if their co-religionists had disowned their writings and condemned their authors at the very outset. But whether it was done or not, the question remains as to whether the Musalmans should have killed all those who vilified the Prophet.

Let us have a reply from the very life of the Prophet which, in the eyes of the Musalmans, is a model for the whole of mankind. This is a fact which cannot be denied that during his ministry the Prophet was persecuted and vilified in the worst possible manner. But he put up with all the humiliations without any thought of retaliation. "Once," writes Sir William Muir, "they flung in the entrails of a goat which Muhammad putting upon a stick, carried to the door, and called aloud! 'Ye children of Abd Manaf! What sort of good neighbourhood is this?'" At Taif "people hooted him through the streets, pelted him with stones and at last obliged him to flee the city pursued by a relentless rabble. Blood flowed from both his legs." Wearied and humiliated he prayed to God: "I seek for refuge in the light of Thy countenance. It is Thine to chase away the darkness and to give peace both for this world and the next, let not Thy wrath light upon me nor Thy indignation." What a noble thought! What a noble sentiment!

The Prophet could do nothing else as he was sent "as a mercy unto the people of the world—Rahmat-un-lil-Alimin."

I remember to have read another incident in the life of the Prophet and it is that the revilers of Islam should not be shown any violence for it is quite possible that their children or grandchildren may accept that religion. Is there no lesson for us Musalmans in these commandments of the Prophet?

We Muslims firmly believe that we are "the best of nations" and that we are destined for a higher and loftier life than is vouchsafed to the followers of other religions, for the simple reason that we are believers in one God, that we submit ourselves to the will of God, that our lives are wholly and solely dedicated to Almighty God, that we are the champions of the liberties of nations and that we have been commanded to be a blessing rather than a curse to the rest of the world. Iqbal, the poet of Islam, is never tired of reminding the present-day Musalmans to seek their destiny once again and to live on this earth as God's vicegerent on earth, Khalifatullah. But can he achieve our ideal without showing toleration towards the "unbelievers," without forgiving them and without being kind to them?

Fortunately or unfortunately I have read a very large number of articles concerning these murders. The thoughts which the various writers have expressed or still giving expression to, are mostly such as cannot be said to have the sanction of Islam behind them. I believe that we lower the prestige of Islam in the eyes of non-Muslims when we kill outright the very man who out of his ignorance or sheer prejudice, speaks or writes disparagingly about the Prophet. It is true that much dirty stuff has of late appeared about Islam. But what does it prove? It proves that the message of Islam has not been rightly understood, and that the race of Abu Jahls and Abu Lahbs is not yet extinct. The Prophet prayed to God to strengthen Islam by the conversion of either Abu Jehl or Umar. Cannot we pray for such misguided souls? Cannot we provide them with books containing a life-account of the Prophet and the teachings of Islam? Cannot we remove their ignorance in some other way? Is it neighbourly to kill them?

My honest conviction is that the "Ulama-e-Su" (pseudo-maulavis) amongst us have made the Muslim masses intolerant. It is owing to their teachings that the illiterate masses have contracted this belief that the reviler of the Prophet deserves nothing short of death. It is, therefore, the duty of the true Ulemas of Islam to come forward and give exhortations to the Musalmans not to indulge in such unneighbourly acts in the name of religion. If our cause is strong as is really the case, then is sure killing to weaken it.

But in this connection a word to my Hindu countrymen would not be out of place. It is true that there are great many misconceptions prevailing about Islam and my daily contact with Hindus and other non-Muslims makes me believe that it will be a great service not only to the noble cause of Islam but also to the country at large if those misconception and misunderstandings are finally removed. I have met Hindus who have perused the Quran from beginning to end and they have assured me that their whole outlook about Islam has undergone a complete change. The Hindus who wrote dirty literature about the Prophet must be labouring under the same misunderstandings. Surely they needed a remedy to cure their ignorance just as the religious terrorists of Islam needed a remedy to cure their over-zealousness. I would appeal to the Hindus to read the Quran and then their opinions about Islam is sure to undergo a change for the better. But they must remember that by assailing the unassailable character of the Prophet or by misrepresenting the sublime teachings of Islam after the fashion of some clergymen, they will not be rendering any service either to their own religion or to the country in which they live. Is there any meaning in attacking the founders of religions? For the present I say to the Hindus what the Prophet had said to the children of Abd Manaf: "Ye Hindus! What sort of good neighbourhood is this?

Village Industries Products

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I crave the hospitality of your esteemed Journal to elicit from the parties concerned true information for public good.

The All-India Village Industries Association has been started with the sole object of reviving village industries to give opportunities for employment to the villager who is forced to pass a major part of the year in idleness due to lack of work which could augment his scanty income. The idea underlying the work of the Association is to give the villager supplementary work and make an addition to his present meagre income, which does not allow even the body and soul to be together.

The towns and cities have been called upon to help in this work by exclusively patronising these village products to the strict exclusion of products treated by machinery or by human labour outside the villages. The test of the work of the Association will be the amount of employment it will give to the villagers and I believe that Mahatmaji as also Mr. Kumarappa have made it clear more than once that goods can be called genuine village products only if they have been finished by manual labour in the villages themselves.

This means that rice or flour or dal or as a matter of fact anything that has been husked or ground or undergone any process outside the village would not be covered by the certificate of the Association. In Bombay there are two or three depots which seem to have been certified by the A.I.V.I. Association. The goods which they supply to the public are all genuine village products or do any of them even resort to local labour? This is an important question inasmuch as an individual like me who goes in for village products, does so out of the genuine belief that the villager requires to be helped to be lifted out of the mire of starvation and that can only be done through the strict observance of the rules and regulations of the A.I.V.I.A.

Among active public workers you come across some who have an excusable desire to win popularity or publicity. If these people would take up the work of the village revival strictly according to the injunctions of the Association either by going to the villages and working there or even by staying in towns and cities by using those articles themselves and inducing others to use them, they would turn out immense work and win the appreciation of the public. But, on the contrary, some of these people shirking their responsibility of visiting the villages engage costlier town labour and console themselves that they are helping the A.I.V.I.A., by pushing forward village products at a higher price.

Not only it is highly irregular, but also damaging to the cause of village industries, because once the public get a notion that village products are costlier they would shun them. In short this is a short-sighted policy, perhaps induced by momentary over-enthusiasm. If this serious matter comes to the notice of Mahatmaji it is sure to pain him and he might adopt some strict measures to wean over people from this cruelty—cruelty because it is a direct act going against the interest of the villagers whose bread is being snatched away from them by people professing to be their friends.

My suspicions would not have been aroused, but for the fact that last week a couple of ladies, probably belonging to the Desh Sevika Sangh, called at Mandvi, and made a queer offer. At first they tried to impress upon us the advisability of patronising village products but, strangely enough, at the time of leaving suggested that if we would send whole wheat they would get it ground locally, i.e., in Bombay and return it to us as flour, and that the charges would be 2 annas per paile.

They further added that all arrangements were complete for such work and that a limited Company was being started with Seth Virchand Panachand as Chairman. If this be true then not only will it affect the welfare of the villagers, but consumers in Bombay will have to pay higher price because labour in Bombay is decidedly costlier than in villages.

Patriotic people who seem to be wasting their time and energy after such futile schemes should pause for a moment and consider whether such a step is justifiable. To get whole wheat treated in the city of Bombay and that too, under the auspices of a Limited Company would mean depriving thousands of villagers of the opportunity of earning their supplementary income.

Mr. Editor, even when the A.I.S.A., was started there were some abuses and irregularities and it required a strong hand and vigilant eye to put them down. In the case of the work of the A.I.V.I.A., also the same vigilance and strictness requires to be observed and the public can help the Association by themselves insisting to know from where a particular commodity comes. Your valuable Journal can raise its voice and prevent such abuses.—Yours, etc.

MANJULA DESAI.

THE NEW ASSEMBLY

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prise that, despite his constant opposition to Government, he should continue to be nominated. There are others also among the group who have spoken and voted against Government on many occasions. No wonder that the Finance Member in despair once exclaimed that the Government could not depend even on their nominated members.

Economics First

I shall refer to just one discussion and division before I close and that is about the levying of a duty on the export on skins. The Government proposed to do away with it. There was a sharp difference of opinion in the House. As the discussion proceeded it seemed as if it was a war between Madrasi Hindus and Muslims in general I must confess I felt nervous at the time. But soon we witnessed interesting developments which showed that economics is the strongest element over-riding all political communal considerations. The Congress Party had declared in favour of the duty and it soon found that Madrasi Musalmans as well as Madrasi nominated members were with it as the leather industry of Madras was concerned and they were all anxious to help it. Even some members of the European group went with the Congress in the division lobby. Does this not show that if we concentrated on the economic aspect of things and left all political, communal and racial considerations aside, we should be able to knit the nation together more effectively and more quickly? The attitude of Government in rejecting the 8 or 10 lacs of rupees that this duty brought to it and which the legislature gladly voted, also helped to a better understanding of the inner working of the minds of those who are in power in the country.

An Ideal Leader

In Mr. Bhulabhai Desai the Congress Party has an ideal leader and though he was new to this sort of work he has proved himself a most successful head of a political party, for he knows the difficult art of keeping men together. I feel that under his leadership the Congress Party should make more earnest efforts to keep friendly relations with all other non-official groups in the Assembly; and by exchange of opinion and private negotiation, try to win as many of them as possible on its side, not only in the interest of legislative work but in the larger interest of the country; and thus help in the solution of difficult and delicate problems that are facing us.

SYT. B. K. GHOSE

Syt. B. K. Ghose has recently arrived in Bombay. He has acquired skill in Hindustani, and Bengal folk music, as well as in the music which obtained its recognition from the Tagores.

SILVER JUBILEE FUND

Benefit Cinema Performances

Publicity sub-committe, Silver Jubilee Fund, sends the following for publication:—

The following Benefit Cinema Performances have been kindly promised by the Cinemas and Distributors of the Films who are donating, all proceeds to the Silver Jubilee Fund.

On Monday (April 29th) at 10 P. M. the Pathe Cinema and Paramount are presenting "Limehouse Blues". On April 30th, the Minerva Talgies, Lamington Road will give the proceeds of a show "Chandidas" at 3 P. M. and on May 3rd the Excelsior Theatre and Band man Varieties have kindly promised to present 'The Old Curiosity Shop' at 19 P. M. which His Excellency the Governor and Lady Brabourne will attend.

Another performance which has been arranged will be a variety show by the Boys' Gymkhana at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall on Thursday, May 2nd at 9 P.M.

Vile Parle Exhibition

PROCESS OF PAPER-MAKING

Reference was made in the description of the Exhibition published on Tuesday to the Demonstration Section. This continues to attract larger crowds of visitors daily especially because of the novelty of the two industries the processes of which are demonstrated. One of these is the bangle-making industry which at one time occupied an important place in the economic life of the country. In 1929-30 the value of the imports of bangles was in the neighbourhood of a crore of rupees, but thanks to the spread of the gospel of Swadeshi the figure was reduced to less than twenty-five lakhs in two years' time. The industry is essentially a cottage industry such as can be developed if artisans possessing skill and aptitude are encouraged to take to it. The demonstration at Vile Parle is carried on by Mr. Abu Baker of Tarapur in the Thana District whose family has been engaged in the industry for some generations past. The bangles are prepared in a specially designed furnace out of pieces of broken glass and the skill lies in the process of blowing and in introducing the colouring material of the right type.

HAND-MADE PAPER

Even more interesting the process of turning out hand-made paper which is carried on by a group of workers from Daulatabad under the directions of Mr. Rup Narain of Vile Parle and Mr. Chowdhry of Lucknow. Daulatabad was one of the most important centres of paper manufacture in India till about the beginning of this century and the Muslim artisans of that place as well as places like Ahmedabad, Junnar, Erandol turned out beautiful durable material of a highly artistic and withal utilitarian type. Gradually the industry lost its business on account of the flooding of the country by imports from England and other countries. The figure of imports went up to nearly four crores of rupees in 1929-30, but has since gone down by half with the growing patronage accorded to indigenous production. It is, however, only in the Dominions of H. E. H. the Nizam that active steps are being taken to revive and develop the hand-made paper industry and the opening of the Hyderabad Cottage Industries Institute has given a good stimulus to the producers in Daulatabad and elsewhere in the Hyderabad State. The process as is exhibited at Vile Parle though a simple one, involves the exercise of considerable skill in the several stages of manufacture. For the present there is no attempt made to manufacture paper pulp from straw or wood, but the pulp is made out of waste paper, rags, pieces of strings and torn clothing. The ingredients are kept in water for several days before pulp is produced, bleached and properly washed. Considerable skill is required in securing the requisite quality of even material in the simple containers, made of wood and matting, which are dipped in the tank containing the pulp. From the containers the wet sheets of papers are transferred to an open uncovered heap, from where they are taken out for being dried. The process of drying is carried out in the sun on smooth walls and the pieces get dried they can be sized, glazed, coloured and polished according to the nature of the requirements. All the processes are done by hand, and there is no need for the use of any imported materials. The volume of production is small, but the demonstration at Vile Parle shows that if a good demand is created for this special variety of paper there is no reason why the industry should not expand and provide local employment to numerous first rate artisans.

Among the stalls not referred to in the previous article mention may be made of the Mohan Vastra Bhandar which is a certified shop for the sale of Khadi. The Vile Parle Branch of the Anath Ashram (Orphanage) of Pandharpur which exhibits the cane-work done by the inmates, the Soya Bean stall run by Mr. A. B. Godrej, and an attractive little hut run by the certified Village Industries Depot of the Shoorji Vallabhdas Swadeshi Market. All over the Exhibition grounds and in the main building there are put up posters and diagrams emphasising the importance of Khadi and village industries in the nation's economic life and a special attraction a set of three beautiful paintings by Syt. Masoji depicting the Dandi March, the Earthquake Relief Work in Bihar and the Revival of the Village—the last named picture giving an excellent impression of all the crafts and industries of a prosperous village.

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the next three years. On his retirement he will proceed to England with his wife.

A Big Sword Fish

A sword fish of unusual size, measuring about 15 feet in length and 4 feet in diameter, was caught by means of unbaited hooks by Chinese fishermen on April 16 off the coast of Malacca near Pulau Besar. It was taken to the market in a lorry and attracted a crowd.

Bandit Zones In China

An order issued by the Provisional Headquarters of the President of the Military Affairs Commission at Hankow states that, in order to prevent untoward incidents in the future, foreign nationals should not be permitted to travel in the bandit-suppression zones until the conclusion of the campaign. As for those who already are in bandit-suppression areas, appropriate steps should be taken for their protection.

RAIZADA HANSRAJ'S RESIGNATION

JULLUNDUR, April 26.

With a view to remove the misunderstanding created in certain circles by Raizada Hans Raj's resignation, the "United Press" has been authorised to announce that he has resigned his membership only from the City Congress Committee, as he does not believe in party feelings which are unfortunately hindering the national advancecement.—United Press.

Far Eastern News Service

Malay Sultan's Greetings To King Georg

A JUBILEE PRESENT

Casket Of Gold And Ivory Specially Prepared For Occasion

(Special To "The Chronicle")

KULA LAMPUR, (By Air Mail).

The air liner carrying mails from Malaya to Europe on April 21 will bear with it the greetings of the rulers of the Federated Malay States to His Majesty King Georve V.

The message is contained in an illuminated address executed by finest craftsmen in the country, and bearing the signatures of the Sultans of Perak, Selangor and Pahang, and of the Yang Di-pertuan Besar of Negri Sembilan.

On May 6, when he celebrates his Silver Jubilee, His Majesty, the King will receive the loyal expressions of goodwill. They will be handed to him in a casket of native ivory.

The greetings are inscribed on vellum, and half enclosed by a border shaped as an inverted capital L. Much gold leaf can be traced in the intricacies of the design, and with the gold the other dominating colours are red and light blue. The opening words are mostly in gold leaf. Below the body of the address is in black letters, with blue for the capitals.

The finished product is the culmination of 300 hours work. The bulk of it has been executed by three highly skilled draughtsmen in the Survey Department working under European supervision.

The casket was made in the workshop of Mr. P. H. Hendry, the Kuala Lumpur jeweller. Mr Hendry was unable to procure a tusk long enough to provide for the whole 19-inch length of the casket, and so two tusks, both 4-1|2 feet long were brought from Pahang and a small length of each was hollowed out. A gold plate fastened on the front states the origin of the address.

The Survey Department have also prepared illuminated addresses for the same occasion for the Straits Settlements and for Kedah.

Threat To Ceylon

Increased production of tea in Japan and China and the corresponding growth of exports of the product from these two countries are causing uneasiness in Ceylon.

The tea industry in Japan and central China is making steady progress, exports from these parts during 1934 showing an increase of 2,200,000 lb. over 1933.

In Formosa, tea cultivation is being promoted with a large outlay of capital and modern machinery for the handling of the product is being installed, while research for the improvement of quality is being carried on ceaselessly.

A Ceylon newspaper has sounded a note of warning to Ceylon tea raisers, predicting that Japan and China would very soon become strong competitors for Ceylon, India and the Netherlands East Indies to tackle.

Fighting In Manchuria

A series of engagements have taken place during the past few days on the Soviet-Manchukuo border between the Japanese forces and Chinese Volunteers.

The Japanese authorities in Tientsin have wired to Tokyo reporting that the activities of Chinese Volunteers in Manchuria constitute a serious menace.

At Lingnan a clash occurred between Volunteers and mixed Japanese and Manchukuo forces. A Manchukuo regiment was disarmed by the Volunteers. Two Japanese 'planes were sent to bomb and check the Volunteers.

Nine thousand Volunteers along the Jalu River came into conflict with Japanese and Manchukuo troops more than 60 times during last month.

A body of Volunteers has occupied the city of Linkiang, according to latest reports.

International Anti-Malarial Course

The second international anti-malarial course to be held in Singapore will begin shortly. Twenty candidates from Australia, India, Indo-China, Siam, the Philippines, Malaya, Japan, and the Netherlands Indies have applied for enrolment, and they will arrive in the course of the next few days.

Arrest Of Former Indian Policeman

The long arm of the law reached out recently for Natha Singh, aged 37, who had been sought by the police for illegal entry into China and for the alleged wounding of a detective of the French Municipal Police in 1933. The Indian, a former Hankow police constable, was arrested at 624, Gordon Road by a police raiding party who surrounded the house and advanced to the man's room protected by steel vests and shields, expecting a determined resistance. When reached, however, Natha Singh was found to be unarmed, and he offered no resistance, surrendering readily.

Natha Singh, while a policeman in Hankow in 1930, assaulted another Indian and was sentenced to two months in gaol, after serving which he was deported to India, in October, 1930. In June 1933, he turned up in Shanghai again and a party of Settlement and French police went to arrest him on June 4, in the French Concession. He was found in a house in Rue Kraetzer, but is said to have drawn a pistol when the police approached and fired several shots, one of which wounded a French detective. He escaped and had been sought ever since.

Suppression Of Anti-Japanese Agitation

The Japanese Consuls in China met in conference at Shanghai, under the chairmanship of the Minister to China, Mr. Ariyoshi, at 10 a.m.on April 8. Commenting on this report, the Foreign Office spokesman said the object of the consular conference is to report to Minister Ariyoshi on what the Chinese authorities are actually doing in various parts of China for the suppression of the anti-Japanese agitation.

The Chinese Government and the Kuomintang headquarters instructed the provincial authorities to suppress the anti-Japanese agitation some time ago, but it is little known to what extent the instructions are being carried out. Mr. Ariyoshi is expected to report the result of the conference to the Foreign Office when he returns to Tokyo next month on furlough.

Chinese Film Enterprises

The Central Propaganda Committee conferred with the delegates of the Chinese producing companies on April 14.

Resolutions were passed providing for the organisation of film enterprises based on economic collectivism and for the development of the world market for Chinese films.

The Central Government will be requested to co-operate in the training of Chinese "stars," in the establishment of factories to manufacture technical equipment for film production and in the selection and supply of Chinese sport films, taken by Chinese producing companies, for participation in the International Sport Film Exhibition.

Englishman's Medical Mission

Dr. Tan Hor Lay, of the Gin Say Hospital in Hooi Shan of Fukien Province, China, and Mrs. Tan Hor Lay arrived in Penang on April 13 by the P. and O. s.s. "Cathay." Dr. Tan, who is an Englishman, is the Chief Medical Officer of the Gin Say Hospital which is owned and controlled by him. Dr. Tan's mission to the Far East is to raise a fund to keep the hospital in existence when he retires within

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Silver Jubilee Olympic Games. On Friday afternoon children's day meeting was held on the Cooperage. Photo shows 100 yards race by Senior Boys in prog ress.

Senior girls participating in the 75 yards race.

SILVER JUBILEE OLYMPIC GAMES

15 Competitors For 5,000 Metres Running Race

Fifteen competitors faced the starter on Friday morning at the Cooperage for the 5,000 Metres Running race in the Silver Jubilee Olympic Games

The winner Lance-Naik Channan Singh of the 2/1st Punjab Regiment, who won an easy victory by 50 yards came as a surprise as H. P. McGhee who had distinguished himself on the previous day in the 10,000 metres race was a 'sure tip.'

Channan Singh completed the distance in 17 minutes 23 3/5 secs.

S. D'Souza of the St. Sebastian High School came second: H P McGhee, third.

V R Basrur (Bombay University) retired midway owing to stiff-legs.

WOMEN'S EVENTS

The Women's Events were then taken up. About ten ladies took part.

The following are the results:

50 METRES RUNNING

First Heat: Miss E Lincoln (1); Miss B. K. Gupte; (2); Miss P Abraham (3). Time: 8 secs.

Second Heat: Miss N. Maseyk (1); Miss Vajifdar and Miss I Maseyk (2); Miss S Grove (3). Time: 8 1/5 seconds.

100 METRES RUNNING

First Heat: Miss N Maseyk (1); Miss N Grove (2). Time: 15 4/5 seconds.

Second Heat: Miss E. Lincoln (1); Miss I Maseyk (2). Time: 15 4/5 seconds.

Third Heat: Miss F. Menasny and Miss S. Kelly (dead heat) (1). Miss Abraham (2). Time: 15 seconds

83 METRES HURDLES

First Heat: Miss O. Lincoln (1), Miss N. Maseyk (2). Time: 17 3/5 secs.

Second Heat: Miss I Maseyk (1), Miss M Craggs (2). Time: 18 2/5 seconds.

AFTERNOON EVENTS

In the afternoon children's events were held. The events were arranged for Boys and Girls under twelve and for boys and girls above twelve.

Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla presided and Lady Rahimtulla distributed the prizes.

The following are the results:

JUNIOR BOYS' ITEMS

50 Yds. Running Race: B V Ullal (1), R Mukherji (2). 16 Ran. Time: 7 1/5 secs.

75 Yards Running Race: K. Muhammadkhan (1); L A Balam (2). 16 Competitors. Time: 10 seconds.

50 Yards Sack Race: (1) Balam; (2) Muhamadkhan. 8 Competitors. Time: 13 4/5 secs.

JUNIOR GIRLS' ITEMS

50 Yards Running Race: Miss G Fernandes (1); Miss S Samuel (2). Competitors: 11. Time: 7 4/5 secs.

30 Yards Potato Race: Miss K. Abraham (1); Miss E. Silas (2); Competitors: 11. Time: 25 2/5 secs.

75 Yards Skipping Race: Miss S Fernandes (1); Miss R. Muthulakshmi (2). Competitors: 6. Time: 11 2/5 secs.

SENIOR BOYS' ITEMS

100 Yards Race: R Neustra (1); J P Correa (2); Competitors: 20. Time: 11 secs.

220 Yards Race: R Neustra (1); G K Kunder (2); Competitors: 16. Time: 26 3/5 secs.

High Jump: G K Kunder (1); L Talsha (2); Height: 4 ft. 6 in. Competitors: 7.

Broad Jump: G K Kunder: 16 ft. 9 in. (1); R C Shore 16 ft. (2). Competitors 13.

400 Yards Shuttle Relay: David Sassoon (1). Time 51 secs.

SENIOR GIRLS' ITEMS

75 Yards Race: Miss F Menasley (1); Miss S Kelly (2). Competitors: 6. Time: 10 seconds.

100 Yards Race: Miss F Menasley (1); Miss S Kelly (2). Competitors: 5. Time: 13 1/5 secs.

Broad Jump: Miss F Menasley (1) 6 ft. 6 3/4 in.; Miss O. Lincoln 6 ft. 1 1/2 in. Competitors: 4.

MEN'S EVENTS

3,000 Metres Cycle Race: First Heat: R K Bastani 5 min. 51 2/5 secs.

Second Heat: J B Guard. Time: 5 min. 32 1/5 secs.

Third Heat: A K Bastani. Time: 5 min. 16 1/5 secs.

Fourth Heat: B Malcolm. Time: 5 min. 42 2/5 secs.

Fifth Heat: S J Shroff and M Mahava. (both disqualified).

Sixth Heat: V L Pai. Time: 5 min. 59 1/5 seconds.

WOMEN'S EVENTS

1,500 Metres Cycle Race: First Heat: Miss M Webster (1); Miss N K Mistry (2). Time: 3 min. 26 4/5 secs.

Second Heat: Miss P. Vajifdar (1); Miss A Whittenbury (2). Time: 3 mins. 29 1/5 secs.

BOMBAY ROVER AT HONKONG

Governor Of Honkong Interviews Rover Scout J. R. Mody Of Bombay

A Hongkong correspondent writes:—

"Rover Scout J. R. Mody, who is on a cycling tour round the world reached Hongkong 'en route' to Shanghai, where he was received by the Governor of Hongkong His Excellency H. Peal, who, while congratulating Rover Scout Mody, on his enterprise, gave his valued autograph with the words "Good Wishes for a successful Trip."

Rover Scout J. R. Mody then went to Shanghai, from where he will proceed to Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco. At Washington a National Jamboree is to be held in the early part of August next, for which Rover Mody has received an invitation from the American Headquarters to attend.

SEX EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Miss Khandwalla Commends American And Russian Examples

The necessity of imparting "sex education" to children when they develop an inclination to know of matters sexual, was stressed by Miss Kapila Khandwalla, in a short discourse delivered under the auspices of the Social Workers Society at the Servants of India Society Hall on Friday.

The subject of the day's discourse was "Sex Education in America." Mr. S. A. Megherian presided.

SEX IS LIFE ITSELF.

It was necessary that children who were to be the citizens of tomorrow observed the speaker, should have a general idea of sexual science because this was a subject which was very vital to every person: Sex was life itself. It were better than the child should be taught about sex before it imbibed fantastic notions about the same.

ATMOSPHERE OF 'TABOO.'

Looking to the amount of havoc that has been caused in Indian society on account of the ignorance of boys, girls, youths and even adults about sexual science, the speaker stated, that she was forced to emphasize the importance of the subject over and over again. She said that in Indian society there was an atmosphere of 'taboo' about matters appertaining to sex, which created in the minds of young children that there was something filthy about it. With the result that when children grow up they begin to do things secretly so that the healthy attitude which should have been adopted by them in matters sexual, would not be cultivated for want of proper education.

IN AMERICA AND RUSSIA.

In America, the speaker said, so far only 4 or 5 states out of 48 had introduced sexual science in their colleges, and there too, the subject was not a compulsory but voluntary one.

In Soviet Russia, however, the study of sexual science was almost compulsory.

The speaker said, that in a country like India, where people lacked the usual education it would be difficult to introduce sexual education, but nonetheless, the little efforts made in that direction would bear fruit in the long run.

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Bombay Fire And General Insurance Company

CRITICISM ANSWERED

With reference to the prospectus of the Bombay Fire and General Insurance Co., Ltd., the Committee of the Bombay Shareholders' Association has issued the following statement:—

The managing agents of the new company are the Bombay Assurance Agencies Ltd., which has been specially floated by the Bombay Life Assurance Co., Ltd., in order to secure the managing agency. The Committee fail to understand this procedure as in their opinion there is no justification for having managing agents for insurance companies. The main justification for the continued existence of managing agents has been made to rest on the so-called financial assistance rendered by managing agents to their concerns. In the case of insurance companies, no question of financial assistance from managing agents at all arises as insurance companies, far from being borrowers, are invariably in the position of suppliers of funds for lending or investment purposes. Inasmuch as the affairs of the agency company would have to be attended to by a manager or secretary, it is inexplicable why the machinery of a managing agent should have been brought into existence for the purpose of managing the affairs of the new company. The very fact that the Bombay Life company itself and other insurance companies have been working without any managing agents shows conclusively that the new company can carry on its business without any managing agents. Consequently it is clear that the promotors have resorted to the costly and objectionable system of management by managing agents for reasons known to themselves. Referring to the economical management of industries in Japan, Sir Lalubhai Samaldas, the chairman of the new company as well as of the Bombay Life Company, in his book "My Impressions of Japan' has stated as follows:

"As there are no managing agents there is a saving of the agency commission as the remuneration paid to the Working directors is low compared to the managing agency commission."

It is, therefore, surprising that he and his Board should have been a party to the inauguration of the managing agency system and, that to, in a company floated to do insurance business. The Committee have no hesitation in saying that the organisation one of the new company with managing agents is absolutely indefensible and savours of an attempt to create vested interests for the benefit of the policy-holders, shareholders and the management of the Bombay Life Company at the expense of the public which has been invited to subscribe to the capital of the new company.

MANAGING AGENCY AGREEMENT

Coming to the managing agency agreement, the provisions about duration of the agency, remuneration of managing agents and assignment of the agency rights are open to serious objections.

With regard to duration of the agency, it may be pointed out that not only does the agreement provide for an initial period of thirty years which by itself is unduly long but it also provides that the managing agents would be entitled to act thereafter until they resigned or were removed by a resolution of the company passed by a majority in number of its members holding three-fourths of the issued capital and confirmed at a subsequent meeting by a special resolution. Having regard to the fact that 50 per cent of the issued capital of the new company which in turn owns and controls the agency company, it would be obvious that the condition for removal of managing agents, rigid as it is, has been rendered illusory. Thus, to all intents and purposes, the managing agency is made perpetual.

With regard to remuneration of managing agents, the agseement provides for payment of 5 per cent. on the first five lacs of rupees of the premium income after deducting reinsurance premium, 4 per cent on the next five lacs, 3 per cent on the next five lacs, 2 per cent. on the next five lacs and 1 per cent. over Rs. 20 lacs. The Committee desire the investing public to note that the commission is payable not on net profits but on the premium income. This means that the commission is payable irrespective of claims and losses, commissions paid to canvassers and all other expenses of management. This mode of remuneration is analogous to the system of payment of commission on sales or turnover in a manufacturing concern which has been universally held to be most objectionable. Moreover in the opinion of the Committee, it is extravagant to provide for payment of commission on the basis of the premium income when it is well-known that in the present condition of fire insurance business even old established Indian companies are struggling for existence as could be judged from their annual results which show that after meeting claims and losses, commissions and all other expenses of management, very little is left in the way of underwriting profit.

ASSIGNMENT OF AGENCY RIGHTS

With regard to assignment of the agency rights, it is provided that the managing agents would be entitled to assign the agreement and their rights thereunder with the consent of the company. The words 'with the consent of the company' do not necessarily mean 'with the consent of shareholders in general meeting.' As the clause runs it would be perfectly open for the directors in the exercise of their general powers to give their consent to any assignment which the managing agents may propose without consulting the shareholders and such consent would be readily forthcoming when it is remembered that the Bombay Life Company holds 50 per cent of the issued capital of the new company, also owns the agency company and has a right to nominate four directors on the new company.

Coming to the articles of association, several clauses in regard to refusal of transfer, borrowing powers of directors, notices, absolute indemnity to directors, officers and auditors are open to grave objection. As the public are more or less familiar with the Committee's views on these matters, it is not necessary to repeat them here. There is, however, one clause to which specific reference should be made. It is art. 71 under which it is competent to give shareholders to demand a poll only if they hold or represent by proxy or are entitled to vote in respect of at least one-tenth of the capital represented at the meeting. Such clauses are unusual. In view of the fact that 50 per cent of the issued capital has been subscribed by one party, the mischief underlying the clause in question is too patent to need elaboration.

With regard to the advisability of floating a new fire insurance company, the Committee have already alluded to the unsatisfactory conditions existing in the insurance line. References to the conditions and the consequent unremunerative character of the business have become a marked feature of the annual utterances of chairmen of insurance companies of which the promoters of the new company cannot be unaware. Under these circumstances, in the Committee's opinion, it is hardly desirable in the interests of the investor to embark on a new venture. The Committee have already pressed this fact upon the attention of the Directors of the Bombay Life Company.

Reply To Criticism

In regard to the above statement "Bombay Chronicle" has been able to ascertain the following facts from the Bombay Fire and General Insurance Company:

The Bombay Life Assurance Co., Limited, had been thinking of starting a Fire Department ever since 1932 on either of the following basis either as a part of the Life Office as a separate Department or float a New Company holding a large number of shares to show to the public the confidence they had in the new venture. Anyhow, this was not possible unless the Company's Articles were changed. So the Directors made all arrangements to have these amended and called a Meeting on the 2nd December 1933.

At this meeting the shareholders raised certain objections about the clauses especially about investment, etc. It was then decided to meet the members of the Shareholders' Association and there discuss with them the various clauses and if any changes were necessary, the Directors were willing to agree to them as well.

An informal meeting was then called at which Mr. J. J. Kapadia, Mr. A. D. Shroff and Mr. Kamdar were present. All the clauses were discussed in details and as a result of this the following amendment was agreed to:

"The Board shall have power to invest the moneys of the Company not immediately required for the purposes thereof in Securities authorized by the Indian Trust Act 1882 or any amendment thereof as well as in all other Securities including Securities of Public or Local Bodies as well as in deposits with Banks as also in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of any Company provided however that not more than 5 per cent. of the total Funds of the Company at any time shall be invested in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of any one Company and provided further that at no time more than 5 per cent of the total funds of the Company shall be invested in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of more than one Company under the same management but provided however that the above mentioned restrictions shall not apply in the event of the Company investing any part of its Funds in any Company whose objects are similar to those of this Company or principally Insurance in general and of which Company the entire Management and control are vested in this Company and whose entire agency remuneration is earned by this Company and provided also that at no time the total Investments of the Company in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of any Company or Companies shall exceed one-third of its total Funds."

NEED FOR A SEPARATE COMPANY

It will be seen that this amendment relates to investment in securities, etc. At the adjourned meeting some shareholders asked about the nature of the New Company and whether the "public will get a chance to take up shares." At the time of the discussion with the representatives of the Shareholders' Association, the Chairman pointed out the reasons for having a separate Company and the objections to having the New Company as a part of the "Bombay Life" In the first case, it was pointed out that the New Company being a separate entity altogether, in case anything untowards happens to the Bombay Fire Department, the "Bombay Life's" position would be safe, and in the latter case since it was a Department of the Life Office the general public would adversely criticize the opening of this Department and it may affect the Life Business as well. The Shareholders' Association thereupon agreed that it was better to have a separate Company rather than having the New Company as a part of the "Bombay Life".

With regard to the Managing Agency system, it was pointed out that as the complete management would be in the hands of the "Bombay Life" there was no harm in having this and as a matter of fact at the suggestion of the Shareholders' Association the following amendment was passed viz.

". . . . but provided however that the abovementioned restrictions shall not apply in the event of the Company investing any part of its funds in any Company whose objects are similar to those of this Company . . . . ."

which clearly shows that it was the intention of having the Managing Agency and it was pointed out to the Shareholders' Association whose representatives were primarily responsible for drafting out this resolution. This was finally considered and that the Directors of the "Bombay Life" have done everything according to the promise they had given to the Shareholders' Association and according to the terms and conditions laid down by the members of the Association.

Article No. 101 (as amended and Confirmed at the Extra Ordinary General Meetings held on 18th January 1934 and 30th January 1934).

INVESTMENT

101. "The Board shall have power to invest the moneys of the Company not immediately required for the purposes thereof in Securities authorised by the Indian Trust Act 1882 or any amendment thereof as well as in all other Securities including Securities of Public or Local Bodies as well as in deposits with Banks as also in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of any Company provided however that not more than 5 per cent. of the total Funds of the Company at any time shall be invested in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of any one Company and provided further that at no time more than 5 per cent. of the total Funds of the Company shall be invested in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of more than one Company under the same management but provided however that the above mentioned restrictions shall not apply in the event of the Company investing any part of its Funds in any Company whose objects are similar to those of the Company or principally Insurance in general and of which Company the entire management and control are vested in this Company and whose entire agency remuneration is earned by this Company and provided also that at no time the total Investments of the Company in Shares, Debentures, Stocks or other Securities of any Company or Companies shall exceed one-third of its total Funds".

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The 42nd annual ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Gokuldas Cullianj Barsi Cotton Press Co., Ltd was held on Wednesday evening at the Registered Office of the Company, Fort, Bombay, Mr. Purshotam Gokuldas, presiding.

The directors, in the Course of their Report for the year ended 30th June 1934, stated that a net profit of Rs. 24,993-0-5, has been made during the year. On the Balance of Rs. 3,275-7-8, brought forward from last year's Account, being added, the amount available for disposal is Rs 28,268-8-1, which the Directors recommended to dispose of as under:—

To write off to Building Depreciation Rs. 2,000; To write off to Machinery Depreciation Rs. 4,000; To write of to Dead stock and Furniture Depreciation Rs. 300; To write off to Live-stock and Furniture Depreciation Rs. 50; To write off to Barsi Gin Electric Installation Depreciation Rs. 50; To pay Dividend free of Income-tax for the year ending 30th June 1934 on paid up Capital at the rate of 8 per cent per annum as under:—

On 300 shares of "A Capital" of Rs. 250 paid up at Rs. 20 per share Rs. 6,000; On 1500 shares of "B Capital" of Rs. 50 paid up at Rs. 4 per share Rs. 6,000; To pay bonus to Company's staff Rs. 800; To carry to New Year's account Rs. 9,068-8-1; Total Rs. 28,268-8-1.

The Directors' Report was adopted together with the recommendation made in it. The retiring Director Mr. Gordhandas Gokuldas was re-elected as a Director under clause 112 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

SUBURBAN BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT

A meeting of the members of the Bombay Suburban District Local Board, Andheri was held on Wednesday last in the Andheri office Mr C D Barfiwalla, President of the Local Board was in the Chair.

The names of Messrs Paul Parreira and R H Chemburker were proposed for the Vice-Presidentship. Mr R H Chemburker was declared by the President as elected Vice-President for next three years, 5 voting for and 4 against.

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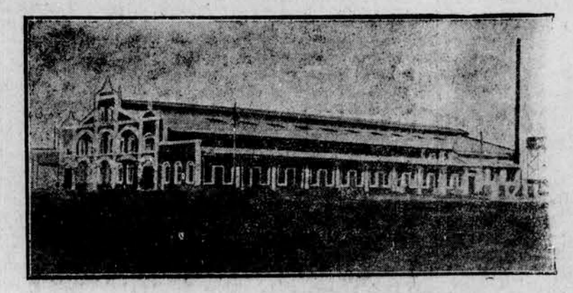

Combined Telegraphs Beaten In Beighton Hockey Cup

Calcutta Customs Display Better Team Work Than Visitors

There was a fairly large crowd on the C. F. C. ground to witness the match between the Calcutta Customs and the Combined Telegraphs in aid of the Royal Jubilee Fund on Tuesday. The Customs won by three goals to nil.

Both sides took the field amid thunderous cheering, but the Combined Telegraphs started favourites. The Customs, who are great cup fighters, lived upto their traditions. They were the better side on the day's play. They had better team work and finished better. Though their half-backs were not very strong, their backs and forwards were brilliant.

The Combined Telegraphs, on the other hand, lacked understanding, though individually their players gave a good account.

Grostrate, left-back of the Telegraphs, was the outstanding player on the field. Both their wing halves D'Souza and Winfred were hard workers. The forward line were individualists and seldom combined. Customs played like a well-oiled machine. Hodges, the right back, played a great game while the forwards combined well and made good use of the opportunities that came their way.

From the bully-off, Customs started attacking and two open goals were missed in three minutes. C. Deefholts, Customs inside left, missed a very easy chance of scoring, by over-running the ball. The Telegraphs too had a great chance of scoring, when Extross, their centre-forward, got through and the ball was travelling into the goal, when Smith, the Customs' right half, cut in to clear just before the ball crossed the line. Telegraphs had still another chance of scoring, when Walsh, outside left, hit over. At half time the sides were level.

In the second half, Customs had the better of the game and twice missed easy chances of scoring But soon, they got their first goal through Seaman. Durham, the Telegraphs' goalkeeper, made a bad clearance from Weston's shot and Seaman, who was near, scored. There were more thrills to follow. Telegraphs got away but Jardine, the Customs' goalkeeper, saved a hot shot from Marthins. In the twentieth minute, after the interval, Customs scored their second goal. The ball was passed by Hodges to Weston, who passed it to Henderson. The last named returned the ball back to Weston, who shot and Todd, the Telegraphs' back, saved at the expense of a short corner, which Shaukat Ali converted. The very next minute, the Customs again got away and Weston scored the third goal.

The teams:

Customs: Jardine; Hodges and Brendish; Smith, Shaukat Ali and Davis; Vears, Henderson, Weston, C. Deefholts and Seaman.

Combined Telegraphs: Durham; Todd and Grostrate; D'Souza, Nirmal and Winfred; D'Costa, Walsh, Extross, Marthins and Tellis.

Umpires: McNamara and Andree.

ENGLISH TABLE TENNIS TITLED

G. Barna (Hungary), the world's champion, retained his title in the men's singles of the English open championship at Manchester.

In the final he defeated S. Szabados (Hungary) by 21—17, 23—25, 22—20, 21—18.

Miss M. Osborne (Birmingham) the holder, again won the women's singles, defeating Miss Woodhead (London) in the final by 13—21, 21—15, 21—18, 22—20.

Hearing commenced on Thursday before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Calcutta of the case in connection with the disaster of the steam vessel "Manoung" in the Hoogly river in June last as a sequel whereto more than 300 passengers were drowned.

Two women competitors in the Silver Jubilee Olympic Games, which were held yesterday morning.

Women hurdlers clearing in the Hurdle race which was keenly contested.

ARE TWO REFEREES WANTED?

Clubs belonging to the English Football League are being asked by the Management Committee to decide whether they are in favour of the two-referees-in-a-match system.

The clubs are asked to state at the forthcoming annual meeting of the League whether they think the Football Association should be asked to allow the two-referees system to be tried out in the Football League next season.

AGA KHAN'S BAD LUCK

Derby Favourite Develops Chill

Bahram the Aga Khan's unbeaten colt, has developed a chill and with it a temperature.

Bahram could not leave his stable for exercise on April 6, and did not run for the Craven Stakes.

Bahram won give races—worth nearly £12,000—in brilliant style last year. Throughout the winter he remained a confirmed favourite for the Derby, to be decided in June.

It was the intention of Mr. Frank Butters, who trains the Aga Khan's horses, to saddle Bahram for the Craven Stakes at Newmarket.

An easy race would have been of great value in view of his later engagement in the Two Thousand Guineas on May 1.

Mr. Butters' stable was represented in the Craven Stakes by Mr. T. Gant's Maltravers, ridden by F. Fox.

Although the Aga Khan has been given an early shock, his prospects of winning the principal classics are not seriously affected.

Bahram will doubtless recover very soon, while as deputies his owner can fall back upon Hairan or Theft—two high-class horses.

Meanwhile efforts will be made to suppress the coughing which threatens to spread through the stable of Mr. F. Butters.

FAMOUS STALLION DEAD

(SPECIAL CABLE).

LONDON, April 25.

The death has occurred of the famous stallion "Blandford" from pneumonia. It is a severe loss to the owner Mr. Dawson, since the stud fee at present is 500 guineas. The stock to the end of the last season won 201 races of the value of £202,000. Last year they won £7,570 beating the previous record of Stockwell 6,100, approximately in 1866 "Blandford" sired the Derby winners "Windsor Lad," "Trigo" and "Blenheim," the first two winnings the St. Leger and also the unbeaten French four-year-old "Branfome."

Unfortunately "Blandford" who was bred in the National Stud in Ireland was not entered for the classics. He only ran four times with three wins and a bowed tendon prevented further racing.

Stampede At International Football Match

350 People Injured In Glasgow During Rush To Ground

LONDON, (By Mail).

Ten thousand people tried to stampede their way into the England v. Scotland match at Hampden Park Glasgow, on April 3 after the gates had been closed.

Two hundred entered without paying, and 350 people were injured in the crush before mounted police reinforcements called up by wireless, restord order.

The Duke of York had difficulty in reaching his train after the match. Twenty thousand people filled the aproaches to the Central Station, and the Duke was "smuggled" in by a side entrance.

Most of the injured were bruised or crushed inside the ground. Eight people who tried to climb over barbed wire were taken to hospital with lacerations of the hands.

WOMAN RESCUED.

A woman collapsed in the stampede and was rescued from a dangerous position by being lifted into the saddle beside a mounted policeman.

After the match there was great congestion at the Central Station. People jumped from the platform on to the permanent way in order to get along.

The official return of the attendance was 129,693. At least 30,000 people were shut out.

Scotland beat England 2—0 Duncan scoring both goals.

CHARITY FOOTBALL IN CALCUTTA

Raja Of Santosh Donates Valuable Cup

CALCUTTA, April 23

In connection with the Charity Football Match which has been organised by the I F A on May 4 in aid of the Calcutta Jubilee Celebrations Fund, the President of the I F A the Hon. Raja of Santosh is presenting, as his contribution, a valuable cup for the winners of the match which is between Europeans and Indians.

This cup will be declared a challenge cup and will therefore be treated as a trophy to be played for at the International Soccer match held in Calcutta every year.—A. P.

MYSTERY RACING CAR TRIAL

Sir Malcolm Campbell To Drive New Vehicle At Brookland

LONDON, April 25.

Sir Malcolm Campbell, who recently established the new land speed record with his enormous BLUE BIRD car, will drive the new "mystery baby car" at Brookland on Jubilee Day, May 6th. It is one of the new MG single seater racer which although normally of 7 H.P. develops 110 H P at 6,500 revolutions per minute and is believed to be capable of 130 miles per hour. It represents a big advance in racing design.—. B O W.

In the Third Division, Northern Section of the Football League on Thursday, Carlisle drew with Mansfields one all, Rotherham beat Stockport 2 goals to nil.

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OUR READERS' VIEWS

Reserve Bank And 3½ Per Cent Govt. Paper

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In financial circles an important question is being discussed as to whether the Reserve Bank is empowered by the Act to purchase and sell 3½ per cent. Government of India Securities which are not redeemable except as the will or pleasure of Government and whether such Securities can form part of the assets of the Issue Department of the Bank. But while the business aspects of the matter are being taken into account I find the legal difficulties involved in the interpretation of the relevant provisions of the Reserve Bank Act are not appreciated.

Now the matter which requires interpretation pertains to the term 'Government of India securities of any maturity' and the relevant provisions relating to the question are contained in Sections 17 (8), 33 (3) which run as follows:

S. 17 (8)—"The purchase and sale of Securities of the Government of India or of a Local Government of any maturity or of such securities of a local authority in British India or of such States in India as may be specified in this behalf by the Governor-General-in-Council on the recommendation of the Central Board:

Provided that Securities fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Government of India, a Local Government, a local authority of a State in India shall be deemed for the purposes of this clause to be securities of such Government, authority or State:

Provided further that the amount of such securities held at any time in the Banking Department shall be so regulated that—

(a) the total value of such securities shall not exceed the aggregate amount of the share capital of the Bank, the Reserve Fund and three-fifths of the liabilities of the Banking Department in respect of deposits;

(b) the value of such securities maturing after one year shall not exceed the aggregate amount of the share capital of the Bank, the Reserve Fund and two-fifths of the liabilities of the Banking Department in respect of deposits; and

(c) the value of such securities maturing after ten years shall not exceed the aggregate amount of the share capital of the Bank and the Reserve Fund and one-fifth of the liabilities of the Banking Department in respect of deposits;"

S. 33 (3)—"The remainder of the assets shall be held in rupee coin, Government of India rupee securities of any maturity and such bills of exchange and promissory notes payable in British India as are eligible for purchase by the Bank under sub-clause (a) or sub-clause (b) of clause (2) of section 17 or under clause (1) of Section 18:

Provided that the amount held in Government of India rupee securities shall not at any time exceed one-fourth of the total amount of the assets or fifty crores of rupees, whichever amount is greater, or, with the previous sanction of the Governor-General-in-Council, such amount plus a sum of ten crores of rupees."

It will be seen from sub-divisions (b) and (c) of the second proviso to Clause (8) of the 17th Section quoted Supra that any security of the Government of India purchased or sold by the Bank must be capable of maturing at some time, whether after one year, or after ten years. The discussion in financial circles apparently ignores the import of these sub-divisions of the said proviso, whose meaning is so plain.

The term 'maturity' is not defined in the Reserve Bank Act, but is defined in the Negotiable Instruments Act, S. 22 as 'the date at which a promissory note or bill of exchange falls due' though that relates only to negotiable instruments. The explanation of the word as given in Wharton's Law Lexicon conveys also the same meaning, viz., the date when a security falls due or becomes payable. Now, it cannot be reasonably contended that a security which is redeemable or payable at the will or pleasure of the borrower even if he be the Government of India, is a security which matures at any time. The circumstance that the Government may, if it so pleases, redeem its 3½ per cent. Paper at any time by giving three months notice, cannot make such security a maturable security unless and until the Government gives the notice (Vide also my Commentary on the Reserve Bank Act, pages 78 and 102).

Again, with regard to S. 33 (3) which also uses the words 'Government of India rupee securities of any maturity,' why should the expression 'of any maturity' be used at all, if securities of all kinds were intended to be included?

An effort is made by some financial authorities to interpret the expression 'Government of India securities of any maturity' as including securities of all descriptions, but this will give no meaning to the words 'of any maturity.' In the face of the definite employment of these words, plain and unambiguous in themselves, in the Sections concerned, their reference to the evidence of bankers (particularly to that of Sir Osborne Smith) given before the Select Committee on the Reserve Bank Bill as indicating the intention behind is utterly irrelevant and opposed to the ordinary canons of interpretation of Statutes.

I do not at all ignore or underestimate the practical difficulties in the way, but what I say is that the sections should be interpreted as they are, and if they lead to any difficulties or inconveniences the proper course will be only to amend the law and not, as one financier is reported to have said, to see 'whether there is any quibble by means of which the effects of an apparently careless drafting might be overcome.' The safest course in my view is to amend the two sections referred to above by removing the words 'of any maturity' altogether, or substituting the word 'description' for the word 'maturity.'—Yours, etc.

A. RAMAIYA.
Advocate.

Madura, April 20.

"Rama-Rajya"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I wish to recommend to all who write in pious praise of the Ramayan, like your Santa Cruz correspondent Mr. Natvarlal in your issue of the 15th instant, to read an absorbing little book entitled 'On Ramarajya etc.' by S. D. Nadkarni (published by the Samaj Samata Sangh of Dadar, Bombay). I had seen this book reviewed in the papers several months ago, and though I had wished to order a copy I forgot about it. It was in a shop in the Congress Exhibition grounds at Worli that I saw its copies and bought one. As it happened that I finished reading the book at about the same time that I read Mahatma Gandhi's latest statements on what he calls the true Varnashram and the position of women in it in the "Harijan" of September 28 and Oct. 12, I ordered a copy of the book to be sent to Mahatmaji, and am awaiting his views on it.

The book is, as its author calls it, "an Expostulatory Letter to the Greatest Hindu" (meaning Mahatmaji) "from a Critical Co-religionist" (i.e., the writer of it). It is really in reply to a set of apparently influential people like the Shankaracharyas, etc., who met in a Conference some years ago and declared for "Swaraj as we had it in the days of Ramachandra" and also for certain other things which showed quite clearly the nature of the Swaraj or 'Rama-rajya' which they wanted. But it is not equally clear why Sjt. Nadkarni has chosen to address his 'expostulation' (or rather indictment) not to any of those estimable folk, the real defendants in the case, but to Gandhiji, unless it be that he regards him as a judge, and then, too, as one who is known to have betrayed an unjudicial leaning towards the 'Rama-rajists' by certain of his utterances, particularly one expressing approval of Rama's abandonment of his wife Sita.

In the book you will find discussed with a critical detail and scholarly documentation rare in these days of hurry and superficiality what are called the three "blots on Rama's escutcheon, viz., the assassination of Vali, the abandonment of Sita, and the decapitation of Shambuk,—besides two other episodes, viz., one from the Mahabharat about how Dronacharya caused Ekalavya to cut off his own thumb to offer him as 'dakshina' (preceptor's fee), and another from the Shrimad-Bhagavat relating to the Vaman avatar. After subjecting these time-honoured stories ("skeletons in the cupboard of our heritage," as they are called in the book) to a close examination both ethical and literary, Mahatmaji's expostulator goes on to consider the broader questions of Varna, Ashram, women's position, Ahimsa, sectarianism etc. I am particularly interested in the first-named subject. I find that some of the points brought up by Sjt. Nadkarni on that head are answered explicitly or implicitly in Mahatmaji's latest statements on the subject; and it seems only fair to his expostulator as well as to him to say that the latter has conceded most of the former's points already. But the points raised on the subject of Varnashram and Heredity on pp. 52f. of the book call for an answer, and I am anxious to know what Mahatmaji has to say on them.

I would fervently appeal to all Hindus who are not incapable of thinking for themselves, or who can keep their minds open to fresh light, not to fail to read this most stimulating book. No doubt, in spite of its fascinating style, it may give rude shocks to the self-complacency of some—the blind bigots, or the sort of folk whom your correspondent ironically calls 'crazy.' But seekers after Truth should persist and try to meet appeals made to Reason and Conscience by the same sort of arguments.

The question of the ethical valuation of the Ramayan has just now some topical interest lent to it for Marathi readers by the fact that a controversy on the subject is going on in the columns of the "Dnyan-Mandir," the newly started Marathi magazine in Bombay, following a contribution to its first number from Mr. B. V. Jadhav, the ex-Minister, on 'The Lesson India has learnt from the Ramayan.' I am sure Mr. Natvarlal, if he can follow Marathi, will also benefit by this controversy, because I believe, Mr. Natvarlal, though a 'Rama-rajist' himself, is as yet a moderate one and not beyond conviction.—Yours, etc.

D. S. DESHPANDE.
April 20, 1935.

Why Shirk An Enquiry?

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Let us collect thoughts and comments on Karachi. Not that Karachi is the immediate point. Karachi is a dead thing. We mean the Karachi of 19th March, which is no more. It is the future Karachi that is the point. The Karachi that could have been avoided. We have had a lot of discussion on the subject. Bombay talked out an adjournment motion. Delhi staged a better play. What else is it than a play? Under the present circumstances and constitution, members of the Indian "Parliament" can only "play" in however sportsmanlike a manner. They can either talk out a censure motion or talk it in. Thanks to the present Assembly, a censure motion on "Karachi Firing" was talked in, the other day by a majority of 15 votes. A good enough margin to show that the opinion of the House, taken for whatever it is worth, is clear and definite.

Yet how few of us have faced the problem with the daring and sense of responsibility that it deserves? Sir Henry Craik, Home Members, quoted facts and figures about precedents and wanted to be justified on behalf of the Government in regard to the present incident. The Home Member has described the occurrence as "unfortunate". That is all right. All Government officers, civil or military, "hated" the use of force, he added. That is also all right. But that, he also told us, the officers at Karachi were faced with a situation of the "greatest gravity". Here again, he is right if the situation was what it was. And certainly it was of the greatest gravity.

But who is responsible for the "gravity" of the situation? Who is responsible for allowing or not disallowing the situation to develop into that superlative gravity?

It is not enough to say that relaxed, the riotous element in the crowd would have worked the worst havoc. Indeed it might have. And the Government must be thanked for having saved Karachi from a worse catastrophe in the form of a communal riot and looting.

The point is whether the "gravity" could not have been avoided before it was time for the military or civil officers to consider if they should "hate" or "love" the use of force to that enormous proportion.

The whole thing has been widely regretted. Calcutta's Anglo-Indian organ, the "Statesman", apparently regrets so as to say "In any event there seems to be little to be said for a policy by which as a result of one murder and execution nearly forty persons lose their lives and a hundred are injured." But there is equally little to be said, we feel sure, for a policy or a stroke of policy that could not measure the inherently and demonstrably grave nature of the problem, when the burial facilities were offered outside prison for the dead body of Abdul Quayam.

Here in "far-off" Calcutta a meeting of protest by Mahomedans has been held, asking, in essence, for an enquiry into the whole affair. Why shirk an enquiry?

I am a Hindu.—Yours, etc.,

PARESH CHANDRA KAR.
Calcutta.

A Word To Employers

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir—The newspapers publish the Presidential address at the All-India Trade Union Congress at Calcutta on Saturday last of Pundit Hari Sastri in course of which the Pundit said the capitalist offensive against the standard of living of the working classes has now reached its climax, that the wage-cuts have been going on unabated, that the earnings of the workers have at present reached the starvation level, that it has become impossible for workers to get on even with the bare necessities of life. All this is, indeed, true and makes very sad reading. I have no doubt among the capitalists who by such exploitation bring misery to poor, there are some who profess to be religious. I, therefore, beg to address a few words to the latter and hope my appeal will have the desired effect on them. Some years ago it was found that there were frequent divorces among the lower middle and poor classes among Christians in Europe. His Holiness the Pope set about inquiring into its causes and found that owing to inadequate wages of the breadwinners in poor families the children could not be brought up decently, and the needs of the family could not be properly provided for which led to quarrels and bitterness between husband and wife and ultimately to separation and divorce. Thus a family which, had the employers paid just, scrupulously fair, adequate and liberal wages to its breadwinner, would have been peaceful and happy, was rendered miserable and broke up in divorce through the employer giving scanty wages to the earning member of the family. Now such break-up of a family owing to inadequate wages is of course a sin and so His Holiness the Pope quite truly warned Christian employers that "it was one of the gravest sins against Holy Writ to give employees scanty wages" I hope that such of the capitalist employers here who profess to be religious devout and God-fearing will remember the words of His Holiness the Pope and give decent, adequate and liberal wages to the employees.—Yours e.tc.,

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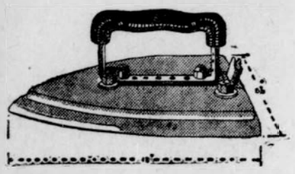

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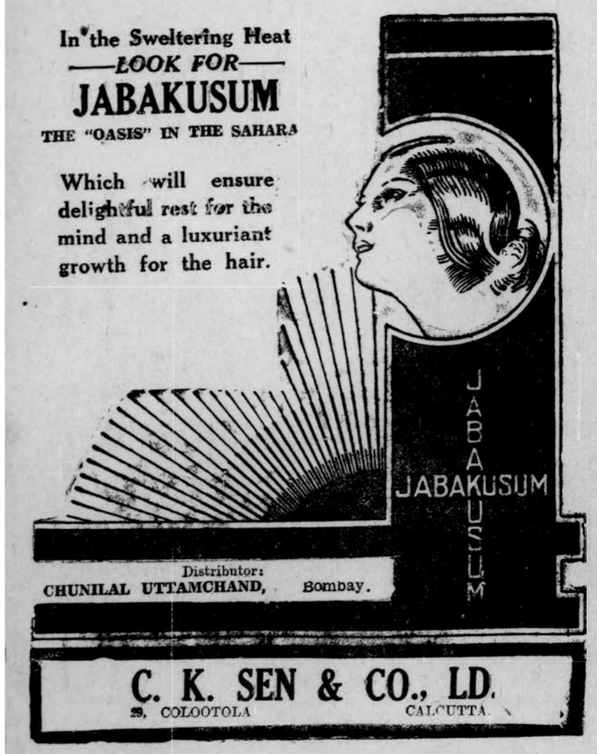

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High Class Field In This Year's Derby

Aga Khan Holds Strongest Hand In Epsom Classic

Out of the 292 subscribers for this year's Derby entries which closed on October 31, 1933, 112 were withdrawn on 3rd (first Tuesday) July 1934; and 100 were withdrawn on 26th (last Tuesday) March, 1935. Thus there remain 80 subscribers whose names are published below) and this number will be reduced still further on Tuesday 28th May.

In the list published below, there are two representatives for His Majesty the King and one of them, a filly, is the only filly that has been left in.

H. H. the Maharaja of Rajpipla, owner of last year's winner, had only one representative and the horse was scratched on 26th March.

Derby Stakes of 100 sovs. each, 50 sovs. ft. if declared by Tuesday in week before running, 25 sovs. ft. if declared by last Tuesday in March, 1935,, or 5 sovs. only if declared by first Tuesday in July 1934, with 3,000 sovs. added; for three-year-old entire colts and fillies; colts 9 st. and fillies 8 st., 9 lb.; owner of second to receive 10 per cent and owner of third 5 per cent of whole stakes; breeder of winner to receive 500 sovs.

The distance is about one mile and a half. The race will be run at Epsom on Wednesday, June 5:

Mis Majesty's BONNIE DUNDEE (W. Jarvis) 9-0.
Lord Astor's FIELD TRIAL (Lawson) 9-0.
Lord Astor's PORTFOLIO (Lawson) 9-0.
Lord Astor's PLYMOUTH SOUND (Lawson) 9-0.
Sir Abe Bailey's JAPETUS (R. Day) 9-0.
Sir Abe Bailey's ROULETTE (R. Day) 9-0.
Sir Abe Bailey's ZINGARO (Lawson) 9-0.
Sir Abe Bailey's ROBIN GOODFELLOW (Cottrill) 9-0.
Mr. W. Barnett's CHIRGWIN (Ireland) 9-0.
Mr. A. Bassett's FOXDALE (Persse) 9-0.
Mr. A. Berry's PEACEFUL WALTER (Sneyd) 9-0.
Lady Bullough's ARTRISTRY (H. Leader) 9-0.
Sir A. Butt's POWERFUL PRINCE (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
Mr. Cohen's UTRILLO (R. Day) 9-0.
Miss J. Courtauld's SPANNER (B. Jarvis) 9-0.
Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen's SEPTEMBER ERRAND (O. Bell) 9-0.
Mr. R. Dawson's DUKE JOHN (R. Dawson) 9-0.
Mr. F. Dennis' ST. BOTOLPH (Digby) 9-0.
Lord Derby's BOBSLEIGH (C. Leader) 9-0.
Lord Derby's FAIRHAVEN (C. Leader) 9-0.
Lord Derby's HOMESPUN (C. Leader) 9-0.
Sir F. Eley's MERIDIAN BOY (Templeman) 9-0.
Mr. Esmond's ROSECRAG (J. Jarvis) 9-0.
Mr. Esmond's KOPPERNICK (J. Jarvis) 9-0.
Mr. Esmond's PEARLWEED (France) 9-0.
Mrs. C. Evans' FIRST SON (Allden) 9-0.
Lord Fairhaven's TRIBULATION (R. J. Colling) 9-0.
Mr. M. Field's SANTORIN (B. Rochfort) 9-0.
Vicomte de Fontarce's BAGMAN (R. Dawson) 9-0.
Mr. Freeland's BLISSFORD c (by Long Slade) (Easterbee) 9-0.
Lord Glanely's SCREAMER (Hogg) 9-0.
Mrs. Glorney's ASSIGNATION (Cundell) 9-0.
Mr. C. Gordon's SEA BEQUEST (J. Jarvis) 9-0.
Mr. L. Guinness's WOODSTOCK (B. Rochfort) 9-0.
Lord Harewood's PICCADILLY (W. Jarvis) 9-0.
Mr. Horlock's APOLLO (Lambton) 9-0.
Lord Howard de Walden's GANTRY (D. Waugh) 9-0.
Mrs. A. Jame's GYNERIUM (C. Leader) 9-0.
Mr. J. Joel's AMUSEMENT (C. Peck) 9-0.
Mrs. K. Kelly's MAHOONAGH (W. Nightingall) 9-0.
H. H. Aga Khan's THEFT (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
H. H. Aga Khan's VERMEIL II (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
H. H. Aga Khan's BAHRAM (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
H. H. Aga Khan's HINDOO HOLIDAY (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
H. H. Aga Khan's HAIRAN (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
Mr. T. Lant's MALTRAVERS (Fk. Butters) 9-0.
Lt.-Col. Loder's FAIRBAIRN (Gilpin) 9-0.
Lt.-Col. Loder's APENNINE (Gilpin) 9-0.
Lady Ludlow's CONSPIRATOR (O. Bell) 9-0.
Sir M. McAlpine's SOLAR RAY (V. Smyth) 9-0.
Sir M. McAlphine's CHIVALRY (V. Smyth) 9-0.
Sir C. McLeod's CONSEQUENTIAL (Higgs) 9-0.
Mr. Martineau's WATER MARTEN (Lambton) 9-0.
Mr. R. Middleman's WEST HIGHLAND (Allden) 9-0.
Mr. H. Morriss's BLUE PENCIL (F. Darling) 9-0.
Mr. H. Morriss's MANATEE (Kirk) 9-0.
Col. Needham's FOREMOST (Kirk) 9-0.
Miss Paget's DESERT CLOUD (Briscoe) 9-0.
Miss Paget's CELIBA c. (by Felstead) (Briscoe) 9-0.
Miss Paget's RACLA c. (by Diomedes) (Briscoe) 9-0.
Mr. Persse's ROYAL FLUSH (Persse) 9-0.
Lord Portal's CORRABUL (M. Hartigan) 9-0.
Comte de Rivaud's BAO DAI (France) 9-0.
Mr. E. Robson's GIPSY LORE (Rickards) 9-0.
Lord Rosebery's ETON BLUE (J. Jarvis) 9-0.
Baron E. de Rothschild's CHASSE NEIGE (France) 9-0.
Mr. J. de Rothschild's SLIVOVITZ (F. Pratt) 9-0.
Sir V. Sassoon's JOSHUA (B. Jarvis) 9-0.
Mrs. Shand's IMMORTAL HOUR (Bullock) 9-0.
Mr. W. W. Simm's PRY II (Digby) 9-0.
Mr. R. Bassett's RINGLEADER (Stedall) 9-0.
Mr. Thornton-Smith's BARBERRY (Templeman) 9-0.
Major Walker's BOULDNOR (H. Leader) 9-0.
Mr. T. Walls' AUF WIEDERSEHEN (Walls) 9-0.
Mr. Widener's SAINT ANDREWS II (B. Rochfort) 9-0.
Mr. W. Woodward's FRESH FOX (B. Rochfort) 9-0.
Lord Woolavington's BEN MARSHALL (F. Darling) 9-0.
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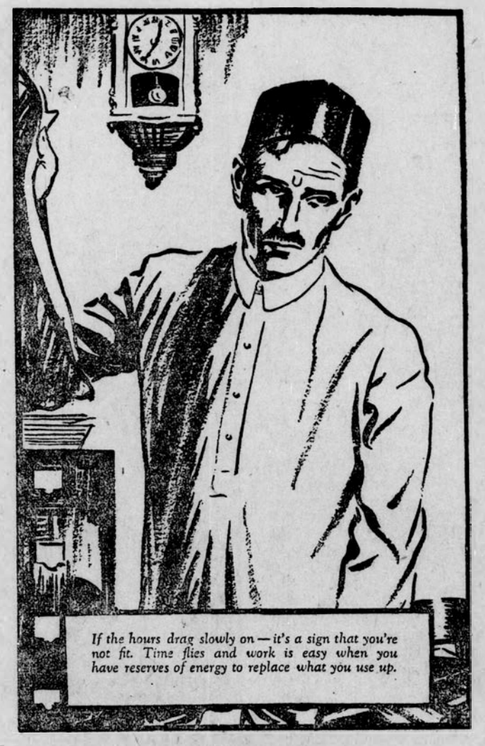

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KALYAN CLUB ANNUAL SPORTS

(From A Correspondent).

KOLE KALYAN, April 24.

The Seventh Annual Sports organised by the Bhat Pakary Sporting Club took place on Sunday last, at Masalwara, near the Bus stand. Dr P. A. Dias, Mayor of Bandra, presided and Mrs. Dias distributed the prizes to the respective winners.

Several items were gone through which created great interest, such as Flat Race, High Jump, Obstacle Relay, Dal Race, Cigar Lighting and the Easter Egg. The tug-of-war between "the married" and "the Bachelors" created a sensation amongst the audience, but this year "The Married" were hopelessly defeated by "The Bachelors."

Immediately after an interval of one or two hours a Drama was staged at the same place by the Bhat Dramatic Club which depicted the evil of gambling, Rev. Father Peter Pereira the curate of Kole Kalyan presiding.

Mr. Chimanlal B. Desai, proprietor, Sagar Movietone, Bombay, who is on short visit to Delhi, was entertained to a tea party on Thursday evening at the Maidens Hotel.

The Sitabuldi police have arrested on suspicion a person in connection with the recent murder of a lunatic in Lendra.

SILLY SEASON IN NAGPUR

Communal Fanatics Search In Vain For Imaginary Idols

NAGPUR, April 24.

Since yesterday a story has been current in the city that an idol was unearthed in a locality inhabited by Muslims.

As the rumour spread throughout the city, a number of devout Hindus went about looking for the 'discovered' idol.

Simultaneously with this another story got current that an emblem of the Holy Prophet, represented by a human palm, was found in a purely Hindu locality.

This made the Muslims search for the 'palm' in every conceivable Hindu locality.

These rumours appeared to have made the local Archaeological Department sit up and take notice.

After a good deal of search lasting nearly two days, both the Hindus and the Muslims came to the conclusion that the whole affair was a practical joke.

The only people who are said to have derived some benefit from this are the tonga drivers who did good business.—A. P.

A Rajkot message says that the local police raided the house of a goldsmith and are reported to have seized hundreds of counterfeit coins and implements for making coins.

Matters To Be Discussed In Corporation In May

Water Bursts In Suparibaugh Road—Age Minimum For Voters—Increase In General Tax —Abolition Of Nominations

A number of interesting resolutions will be moved in the meetings of the Bombay Municipal Corporation in May.

Mr. Keshao Ganesh Tambe will move:—

That the attention of the Municipal Commissioner be drawn to the frequent bursts of the water mains along the Suparibaug Road and the nuisance caused by these to the residents and the public and vehicular traffic and he be requested to submit an early report through the Works Committee when constituted as to the causes of the same and the measures he has adopted or proposes to adopt to prevent such bursts after investigating the causes of such bursts and their frequency."

"That the attention of the Municipal Commissioner be drawn to the lack of urinals and sanitary conveniences in F and G wards and in view of the fact there are large areas of vacant lands in these wards, he be requested to prepare a general plan, showing the places where these could be conveniently placed, with necessary type plans and estimates, reserving the sites if funds cannot be provided immediately in view of the financial stringency and carrying out the programme from year to year as funds permit."

One Way Traffic

"That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to move the Commissioner of Police to consider the necessity of introducing one way traffic in the locality at Dadar known as Vincent Square and also preventing heavy motor lorries from using the narrow streets in this locality for proceeding to the Railway Goods Yard station from Tilak Bridge, the heavy traffic being confined to the Lakhamsey Nappoo Road, Kohinoor Road, Vincent Road and Lady Jehangir Road only."

"That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to move the Commissioner of Police to consider the necessity of changing the one way traffic near the Dader Tram Terminus Circle in such a manner as to allow all the vehicular traffic going to the South to travel along the road in front of the Dadar Police Court to join the Vincent Road at the crossing opposite the Kohinoor Road."

Age For Voters

Mr. M. R. Masani will move:—

"That the Corporation are of opinion that the City of Bombay Municipal Act (III of 1888) should be amended so as to provide that the sole qualifications of a voter at a ward election should be the attainment of the age of 18 and residence in the Ward for a period of six months.

That the Corporation request the Government of Bombay to introduce in the Bombay Legislative Council a Bill amending the City of Bombay Municipal Act which will give effect to the change mentioned above."

Dr. J. N. Choksy wants a definite policy regarding sale of lands and therefore will move:—

"That the Improvements Committee be requested to consider, in consultation with the Commissioner, and report suggesting a definite policy to be laid down by the Corporation for the guidance of the Executive regarding the sale or lease of Municipal and Improvement Schemes Land."

"That the Improvements Committee be requested to consider, in consultation with the Commissioner, and report on the question of reducing rents in the Improvement Trust Chawls and to submit definite proposals to the Corporation at an early date."

He also wants an increase in General Tax and therefore has given notice to move.

That with a view to the clearance of slums in the City and the necessity of making adequate financial provision, the Standing Committee be requested to report how far it would be practicable to increase the General Tax by 5 per cent. on properties where the rents of tenements are Rs. 100 per month and above and what would be the amount realised thereby.

Abolish Nominations

Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan wants to abolish the system of nominations and therefore will move:

That the Corporation are of opinion that the City of Bombay Municipal Act should be amended so as to provide for the following changes:—

(i) No Councillor should be nominated by Government and the 18 seats filled at present by nomination should be distributed among the wards for filling up by election.

(ii) The seats on the Standing Committee and the Improvements Committee at present filled by nomination by Government should be filled by election by the Corporation.

That the Corporation request the Government of Bombay to introduce in the Bombay Legislative Council a Bill amending the City of Bombay Municipal Act which will give effect to the changes mentioned above.

"BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS" FORMED

Organisation On Non-Communal Lines Welcomed

The General Secretary of the Bombay National Guards writes:—

For the last year and a half there is not a single volunteer organisation in the City of Bombay to carry on the work of the National Organisations in the City. (For the last Session of the Indian National Congress, which was held in October, 1934, the organisers in charge of the Volunteer Department had to struggle hard to bring into existance an Organised Corps for the purposes of the Sessions.

Immediately after the Session was over a few young men who were either volunteers or Officers in the Volunteer Corps started for the purpose of the Congress Sessions joined together and decided to start a permanent Volunteer Corps, called the "Bombay National Guards."

The main aim of the Guards is to train the youth of Bombay for selfless national Service.

With the above object in view Training classes were started in November last year and the number of entrants was restricted to those who joined the Organisation within the first seven days. About sixty of those who had worked during the Congress joined the Guards and the Training of these went on week after week. Physical Exercise and Drill Classes were held at the Gowalia Tank on Sundays and Manual Training classes were held in the Congress House on Wednesdays.

Now, after over four months' training of the First Batch the Executive Committee of the Guards have decided to invite applications from the youth of Bombay for becoming members of the Guards.

Those desirous of joining the Bombay National Guards can get their application forms from the following places.

Messrs. Pinto or V. R. Modak, at the Dadabhoy Manzil, Congress House, everyday after 6-30 p.m.

Dr. P. S. Nair at his Dispensary at Bhuleshwar between 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 6 to 8 p.m everyday.

Mr. B. Dharamdas at the Victor Watch Co. at Pydhonie from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. everyday.

Leaders Welcome Scheme

Congress leaders in the City have welcomed the formation of the Bombay National Guards. The following two letters written to the Chief Officer of the National Guards, go to show the necessity of a Non-Communal Volunteer Organisation in the City of Bombay:—

Mr. Syed Abdulla Brelvi says:—

"The need for a well-trained efficient volunteer organisation, run on wholly non-communal lines, has been keenly felt in Bombay—especially in view of the fact that the Hindustani Seva Dal is not able to function.

"The Bombay National Guards who have been recently organised supply this need, as they are a body of trained and experienced volunteers. They have rendered valuable services on various public occasions. They deserve every kind of assistance and encouragement, at the hands of those who realise the importance of having a non-communal volunteer organisation in a city like Bombay."

LONG-FELT NEED SUPPLIED.

Mr. S. K. Patil, General Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee writes:—

I must really thank you for having organised the "Bombay National Guards." For some time past we in the Congress have been acutely feeling the want of an organised band of volunteers who could help us in thousand and one ways. You have indeed supplied this want. I am pleased to see that your "National Guards" are undergoing a very essential training in drill, discipline and mental equipment. This is as it should be; and I congratulate you on your achievement. The "Bombay National Guards" deserve to be supported by every nationally-minded citizen, and I have no doubt that the public sympathy and support shall be forthcoming for a noble cause like this."

FORGED TICKETS FOR PILGRIMS

Suspect Arrested And Remanded Till May 8

An important arrest was effected by the Crime Branch of the City Police, in connection with the fraud perpetrated on the Railways by issuing forged tickets to Haj Pilgrims.

The police seized three railway guides and some serial numbers of tickets during their search in this connection.

The accused Afzal Hussein Kassif Hussein, was arrested on Thursday and placed before Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawala, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court on Friday.

It was stated that on a statement made by one of the accused arrested at the G. I. P. Rly. Station, a watch was kept at Null Bazaar.

The accused was arrested and on a search the police are alleged to have found Guides of three Railways and some serial numbers of tickets.

As inquiries were still incomplete the police applied for a remand of the accused in custody till May 8. The Magistrate granted the application.

NATIONAL FLAG FOR CIVIC BUILDING

Proposal Before Nasik Municipality

(From Our Correspondent.)

NASIK, April 24.

A special meeting of the city municipality is going to be held on the 29th inst. to consider the proposal of hoisting the national flag on the municipal building.

It is proposed that the ceremony should be performed by Mr. N. V. Gadgil, on the 1st of May, when he visits Nasik.

The passage of the proposal is considered a certainty, while Mr. Gadgil's consent, it is reliably understood, has been obtained beforehand.

It is understood that the Benares Hindu University has received a sum of Rs. 2 lakhs under the will of Lady Welinkar of Gwalior.

FAREWELL TO MR. DIMTIMKAR

Address Presented At Distinguished Gathering At Anjuman-i-Islam Hall

On Monday last there was a gathering in the Anjuman-i-Islam Hall, to present a farewell address to Mr. A R Dimtimkar, J P., Municipal Corporator, on his retirement as Assistant Secretary of the Anjuman-i-Islam. The Hon. Mr Justice Faiz B Tayabji presided.

The proceedings opened with the recitation of the Quran followed by a speech by the President who referred in eulogistic terms to the long and distinguished services of Mr. Dimtimkar, to the institution and the community and made a passionate appeal to the teachers of the High School for co-operation in the work of imparting sound education to the Muslim boys. The address was then presented to Mr. Dimtimkar on behalf of the Principal and members of the staff of the Anjuman-i-Islam High School.

Mr. Dimtimkar in reply began by thanking the teachers for the address and expressed his gratitude to the President, who, he said, had done him a great honour by his presence. He referred to his connections with the institution dated since 1887, first as a student and then as a teacher, and lastly as Assistant Secretary which post he had now relinquished.

He emphatically repudiated the rumour among his friends and well-wishers that he would be brought back to take up the post, he had resigned. He declared that he had no intention whatever of coming back, and yet his services would always be at the disposal of the Anjuman in an honorary capacity.

After a vote of thanks to the Chair, the gathering dispersed for refreshments served in the garden.

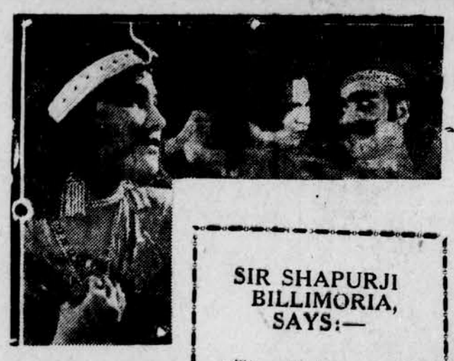
A fire broke out on Sunday last in village Bahalnagar near Sagardighi in the district of Murshidabad and about sixty houses were reduced to ashes.

SUBURBAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Suburban District Yuvak Parishad will be held on 1st and 2nd May at the Congress Camp, Ghod Bunder Road, Vile Parle, at 8-30 p.m. Mr. Achyut Patwardhan will preside.

The membership fee of the Reception Committee is annas eight only. Resolutions to be moved in the open session should be sent in before the 28th instant to the Honorary Secretaries.

A Fategarh message states that a double murder occurred on April 23 there. The head constable at the police outpost was found dead and the police are baffled at the mysterious death. No arrest has been made. On the same night an Ahir youth was murdered and the body was found in a tank at Colonelganj. The motive of the crime is not known.



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TRADE AND FINANCE

Tightness Of Money Due To Bullion Settlement

SHARP RISE IN SECURITIES

Spectacular Advance In Silver Prices

SHARE BAZAR RECOVERS FROM SHOCK

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Bombay, April 26.

This was a short working week owing to Easter holidays.

MONEY.

Money was firm with inter-bank call rates quoting 3 1/2 per cent throughout the period under review. The present tightness is attributed to the requirement of funds for bullion settlement of accounts in addition to general demand for day to day loans. The market received Rs. 265.25 lacs accruing from the Treasury bill maturities, whereas the renewals amounted to Rs. 1 crore, the rate of acceptance being Rs. 1-11-11, almost the same as last week. The following are the fixed deposit rates:—One to three months 2 3/4 per cent and six months 2 1/2 per cent.

GILT-EDGED MARKET.

Gilt-edged were steady, the main source of strength being firm advices from London, where 3 1/2 per cent India Sterling Stocks are in good demand and are quoted at 98, and also absence of any diturbing political news from Europe, which in preceding weeks tended to weaken the market. 3 1/2 per cent Rupee Paper opened at Rs. 91-9 and with slight intermittent recessions advanced to as high as Rs. 93-5 at the close. Business transacted was fair-sized. Other scrips, chiefly short and medium-term loans were in good demand. 3 per cent 1941 bonds closed at Rs. 109-6 and 3 1/2 per cent 1947-50 loan at Rs. 101-4. 4 per cent 1960-70 loan showed a further rise to Rs. 105-8. 1943 loan kept steady at Rs 105-5. 4 1/2 per cent 1955-60 loan was almost unchanged at Rs. 110-8. 5 per cent 1939-44 loan gained from Rs. 107-6 to Rs. 107-10. 1940-43 loan from Rs. 108-10 to Rs. 109 and 1945-55 loan from Rs. 115-10 to Rs. 116 5 1/2 per cent 1938-49 loan closed at Rs. 108-1. 6 1/2 per cent Bom. Development Loan is quoted at Rs. 101-11 and 6 1/2 per cent Treasury bonds at Rs. 101-8.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling exchange was very steady owing to stringent monetary conditions, with negligible business done in connection with the export of gold or of merchandise. Sellers of ready T. T. quoted 1s 6-3/32 and buyers 1s. 6-1/8d. At this week's bidding for one million sterling tenders amounted to £130,000, at 1/6-1/8 and allotted in full, lower tenders being rejected. The following are the forward rates:—May 1/6 1/16: June/July 1/6 1/32 and August 1/6.

The foreign exchanges in the London market ruled steady at the opening, the New York-London cross rate ranging between dol 4.85 and 4.84 7/8 and the Paris-London cross rate moving between 73.54 and 73.59. On Wednesday, however, the pound sterling displayed easier tendency and the dollar sterling rate declined to dol 4.83 1/8 and the Franc sterling to 73.15 finishing at 73.22 The Belga closed at 28.52 and the Italian lira at 58.46.

GOLD.

Gold was steady but was practically neglected, all attention being centred on silver during the week. Movements in the price of gold were narrow in sympathy with the fluctuations in cross rates, the rate for ready ranging between Rs. 35-11 and Rs. 35-12. Yesterday however, the easiness in sterling tended to push up the price to Rs. 35-15-6, though the rates here continued to remain above export parity making fresh business either for near or for forward delivery impossible. The quotation for sovereigns remained almost unchanged during the early part but improved at the close to Rs 22-14-0 and Rs 22-15-0 for ready and forward respectively. In London the price of gold showed little change moving between 143/6 and 143/8 1/2, the closing being 144/5. The stocks in the local market are estimated at some 1 1/2 to 2 lacs tolas, with the daily offtake remaining unchanged at about 3000 tolas. Last week's shipment of gold per s.s. "Rawalpindi" amounted to Rs. 19.67 lacs. The highest and lowest rates in our market were Rs. 35-15-6 and Rs. 35-10-9 for ready and 23rd April settlement, Rs. 36-1-3 and Rs. 35-11-6 for 20th May settlement and Rs. 36-2-3 and Rs. 35-14-0 for 17th June settlement. The total imports during the week amounted to Rs. 33,785

SILVER.

The silver market was very active following firm advices from the New York and London markets. There was unprecedented and spectacular rise of nearly Rs. 10 in the price of silver during the week. The rate for ready opened 72/12 and in anticipation of a big rise in prices in other markets steadily advanced to Rs. 78. Fluctuations in rates were, however, very erratic mainly induced by profit-taking. On receiving the news on Thursday that the U. S. A. Treasury raised the price of silver from 71 to 77.57 cents per oz. the rate in the local market shot upto as high as Rs. 80-10 and later to-day to Rs. 83. The tendency is very firm though movements in rates are uncertain. There was tremendous business in the local market. Stocks on hand were still high being estimated at some 22 to 25 thousand bars, while the daily off-take showed no better than 10 bars. In Shanghai the dollar rose from 1/7 1/2 to 1/8 1/16. In London the quotations reached the highest level of 34 7/8d. for ready and 35d. for forward, the highest level since October 30, 1924. In our market the highest and lowest rates were Rs. 83 and Rs. 73 for ready, Rs. 87-11 and Rs. 80/1 for 23rd April settlement, Rs. 83-6 and Rs. 73-8 for 23rd May and Rs. 83-12 and Rs. 80-15 for 21st June settlement. The total imports during the week amounted to 6 bars Rs. 40,347 in coin.

SHARES.

Having recovered completely from the shock of the last settlement the Stock Exchange opened steady and there was more confident trading in all sections. The prices showed recovery in all issues on general buying enquiry and bull support. At the close prices eased somewhat on profit-taking. The undertone of the market is good. Cotton mill shares were in good demand and the following were the fluctuations in some of the leaders:—Bombay Dyeing Rs. 862/8 867/8 861/4; Century Rs. 288/2 290/10 285/10; Central India Rs. 327/8 319/6 323/12; Kohinoor Rs. 201/4 202/8 201/4; New Great Rs. 160 161-4 157/8 Simplex Rs. 81/4 82/8 and Swadeshi Rs. 208/2 210 205.

In the miscellaneous section steel, Electricity and Cement shares were in marked prominence. Tata Iron Ordys after improving from Rs. 133/8 to Rs. 141 closed at Rs. 138. Defds. similarly rising from Rs. 607/8 to Rs. 645 finished at Rs. 632/8. Tata 2nd Pref. closed at Rs. 170/8 and Tata Hydros at Rs. 176/14. Tata Powers advanced from Rs. 1492/8 to Rs. 1570 but eased off to Rs. 1552/8. Andhra Valleys gained about Rs. 65 to Rs. 1670, closing at Rs. 1652/8. Alcock shares improved to Rs. 171/4 but receded to Rs. 168/12. Bombay Burmahs were steady at Rs. 360 and Bombay Trams at Rs. 146/4xd. Bombay Steam shares also rise from Rs. 280 to Rs. 292/8 but reacting to Rs. 287/8. Scindia steams finished at Rs. 10/4. Bundi Cement shares were steady closing at Rs. 46/4. Indian Cements at Rs. 405. Katni Ordys at Rs. 386/4 and Shahabad Cements at Rs. 411/4. New India Ass. shares were steadier at Rs. 43 and Belapur shares at Rs. 283/2. Railway shares showed little or no change, Ahmd. Prantij finishing at Rs. 872 8 and Tapti Valleys at Rs. 765.

Imperial Bank shares advanced from Rs. 1530 to Rs. 1540 and Contributories from Rs. 380 to Rs. 381/14. Bank of India shares were steady at Rs. 116/8 and those of the Central Bank at Rs 35.

PUNJAB WHEAT MARKETS

ALL-INDIA WHEAT CROP

(Special to Chronicle)

Messrs. Arroramal Durgadas wire:—

Okara, April 26

	Rs.	a.	p.
Spot Dara per maund	2	0	0
Spot Dara good quality	2	1	0
Ashadh delivery	2	2	8
Aso delivery	2	4	0

Aso opened Rs. 2-2-0 but later on improved on speculative buying. All-India Wheat crop report announces 80 lacs bags more than last year. Therefore we advise selling on every jump.

Toria ready	4	8	0
Toria Ashadh delivery	4	10	6

PRODUCE RECEIPTS

Bombay, April 26

Wheat	10,179 cwts.
Linseed	10,336 cwts.
Rape, Rai and Mustard-seeds	763 cwts
Poppyseed	101 cwts.
Groundnuts	3,416 cwts.
Castorseed	3,552 cwts.
Rice	31,823 cwts.
Myrabollams	2,595 cwts.
Cottonseed	16,729 cwts.
Gram	2,139 cwts.
Jowar	994 cwts.
Barley	900 cwts.
Bajree	963 cwts.
Coal	822 tons.

STERLING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Forbes and Lund have received the following quotations by special Cablegram from London to-day:—

Name of Company	Latest prices. £		
Assam Bengal Railway Ordy. Stock	86	0	
Bengal Iron 7 1/2 per cent Preference	0	11	5
Bengal-Nagpur Rly. Ord. Stock	104	0	0
Burma Corporation Ltd.	0	9	9
Cables and Wireless 7 1/2 per cent Ord. A Stock	18	15	0
Calcutta Electric Sup. Corpn. Ord.	3	5	3
Calcutta Tramways (Ordy.)	1	13	3
Cawnpore Electric Sup. Ord.	2	3	0
Delhi Electric Sup. Ord.	3	0	0
Foreign Rly. Inv. Trust 5 per cent Prf. Stk.	32	0	0
Genl and Coml. Invest. Trust Defd. Stk.	81	0	0
East India Distilleries and S. F. Ord	1	2	0
Eastern Bank Ltd.	6	16	6
Great Western Rly. Ord. Stock	50	10	0
Hongkong and Shanghai Bankg Corpn.	125	0	0
Imperial Airways Ltd. Ord.	2	5	3
Indian Copper Corporation (Ord.)	0	2	6
Indian Iron and Steel 7 1/2 per cent Debs.	107	10	0
Rangoon Electric Tram. and S. Ord.	2	0	6
Shahdara Saharanpur L. Rly. 4 1/2 per cent Deb.	94	0	0

NO CHANGE IN FINANCIAL POLICY OF FRANCE

London Bullion Review

We have received the following report from Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co. London dated April 3:—

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £192,522,583 on the 27th ultimo, which shows no change as compared with the previous Wednesday.

The intentions of the new Belgian Government with regard to the currency were made known on the 29th March, when it was announced that it had been decided to devalue the Belga from March 31st by not more than 30 per cent and by not less than 25 per cent. The obligation of the National Bank of Belgium to pay notes in gold was suspended and an exchange equalization fund for the maintenance of the currency at the new level is to be established.

It was subsequently announced that the devaluation was to be 28 per cent, making the new gold content of the belga .150632 fine grammes as compared with the old content of .209211 grammes.

That the devaluation of the belga would not cause any change in the financial policy of France was indicated by M. Flandin, the French Prime Minister yesterday, who announced in the course of his statement that the French Government had decided to proceed with the mintage of gold coins.

Whilst imports of gold from France have again been on a large scale, attention must be drawn to the unusually large export to the same country of over £20,000,000 shown in the figures below; this movement, however, has the appearance of being of an official character.

The open market has had a very active week, about £3,700,000 changing hands at the daily "fixing"; there was a keen demand for the amounts offered, particularly as there were some special orders in the market, and prices were maintained at a premium over gold exchange parities. Exchanges continued to fluctuate widely and there has been considerable variations in gold prices in consequence.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid-day on the 25th ult. to mid-day on the 1st inst.:—

IMPORTS.

	£
British South Africa	415,827
British India	967,194
British Malaya	25,487
Australia	157,683
New Zealand	8,526
British Guiana	9,269
Sweden	150,000
Germany	11,058
Netherlands	142,850
France	3,163,285
Switzerland	55,000
U. S. A.	60,705
Mexico	68,840
Venezuela	14,716
Other countries	26,094
	£5,277,415

EXPORTS.

France	£20,593,894
Netherlands	7,000
Switzerland	5,000
U. S. A.	222,148
Venezuela	15,300
Other countries	2,510
	£20,845,852

The s.s. "Narkunda" which sailed from Bombay on the 30th ult. carries gold to the value of £975,000 consigned to London.

The Southern Rhodesian gold output for February 1935 amounted to 54,785 fine ounces which compares with 57,656 fine ounces for January 1935 and with 53,818 fine ounces for February 1934.

SILVER.

Resales from India and some fresh sales by China gave a rather easier tone to the market at the outset of the week under review and, with sterling showing strength, silver prices fell away to 27.7/8d for cash and 28d for forward delivery quoted on the 29th ult. With a turn in the trend of exchanges, Saturday's market saw rather poor offerings, mainly from China, and good demand from the Indian Bazaars, America and general speculators: in consequence, quotations were 5/8d and 9/16d higher for the respective deliveries at 28.1/2d for cash and 28.9/16d for two months delivery. Since that level was attained conditions have ruled rather quieter but the undertone remains good.

It should be added that some sales were effected on Continental account, whilst America, as was only to be expected in view of the course of exchanges, has been very much less active than of late.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on the 25th ultimo to mid-day on the 1st instant:—

IMPORTS.

	£
British India	30,532
Hongkong	13,800
Aden and Dependencies	6,978
China	38,513
Iraq	6,750
Japan	22,099
France	11,249
Belgium	3,750
Other countries	2,561
	£131,229

EXPORTS.

U. S. A	£101,330
Netherlands	7,900
France	1,119
Other countries	837
	£111,185

The highest rate of exchange on New York recorded during the period from the 28th ultimo to the 3rd instant was dol 4.85.3/4 and the lowest dol.76.3/4

Stock in Shanghai on the 30th ult. consisted of about 9,800,000 ounces in sycee, 260,000,000 dollars and 46,000,000 ounces in bar silver, showing no change as compared with the previous week

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, April 25

May	63 3/4—1d.
July	66 1/4—1 1/4d
October	68—1 1/4d
December	69 1/2—1 1/2d.

RESTRICTED TURN-OVER IN YARN

Speculative Buying

Bombay, April 24

The Yarn market has continued to remain very steady throughout the whole past week with firm undertone but prices have remained almost unchanged and turnover has been very restricted owing to the intervention of Easter holidays. The general feeling in the market continues to remain optimistic and also as a result of continued firmness in the prices of Raw Material the undertone in all kinds of yarns has remained very steady owing to recent sharp advance in prices of almost all kinds of yarns. Consumers find it very difficult to make purchases of yarns at the present level of prices and naturally genuine demand from consuming districts has been yet limited. Dealers, however, have been making speculative purchases from time to time in anticipation of further advance in yarn prices if cotton market shows further improvement. The recent turnover in yarn market therefore is mostly speculative and is practically confined to local as well as upcountry dealers. The situation at present has rather been unsettled and it is impossible to forecast with any accuracy the future tendency of the yarn market.

Enquiries have been very restricted in as much as owing to firmer advices from Manchester there seems to be hardly any chance for forward business in this class of yarns.

Prices have remained unchanged and the undertone has been very quiet as a result of which the dealers have lost heavily in their holdings. Import houses have not been quoting very low prices but owing to nervousness and overstocks the dealers have been liquidating their holdings at the best market prices. There have been regular heavy arrivals and the demand is insufficient to absorb the stocks. No new feature has developed in Mercerised Yarns where prices have remained practically unchanged. Fresh forward business in Japanese and Shanghai yarns has been practically nil. Japanese Exchange have remained unchanged with steady undertone.

Italian prices have remained unchanged during the week. Sales of Italrayon yarns have been very moderate probably on account of very cheap prices of Japanese yarns. Inquiries for delustred yarns have considerably fallen off as the season for harvest has now begun in earnest and therefore the attention of the weavers has been diverted. As regards Japanese yarns, sales have been moderate in spite of their cheap prices probably because of heavy stocks in the consuming districts. Latest reports from all consuming districts go to show that there is a lack of demand for Art Silk Cloth and the prices have experienced a further decline and it is no wonder therefore that the sales of Art Silk Yarns during the last few days have been very limited. Fresh forward business has practically been nil in as much as dealers have been very nervous and are afraid of further fall in Japanese quotations for forward deliveries. The future tendency is quite uncertain.

Some of the Mills have made sales of further small lots during the week at fairly satisfactory prices. Dealers do not show much inclination to make fresh purchases in bulk at the present high level of prices at least pending the present uncertainties in all important markets. Consuming districts have also got sufficient stocks for the time being and do not show eagerness to make further purchases at the present high level of prices. Only the dealers have been making small speculative purchases and turnover therefore has naturally been restricted. The future outlook is rather uncertain.

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Small Turnover In Shares

Realising And Covering In A Small Session

PRICES SHOW MODERATE IMPROVEMENT

Bombay, April 26.

The local Share Bazaar ruled steady to-day with a moderate business. Following improvement in Government Securities, the market opened firm but the opening rise attracted realising and prices gradually declined to the previous closing level. There was scattered buying at this level and prices ruled steady. The market was open for one hour only and towards the close there was renewed buying. The undertone of the market was good.

Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 867 and after improving to Rs. 872 prices declined to Rs. 867. Kohinoor Shares opened at Rs. 205 and closed at Rs. 203|12.

Cement Shares were steady. Bundi Shares changed hands at Rs. 46|8. Indian Cement Shares opened at Rs. 410 and declined to Rs. 407. Punjab Cements were steady at Rs. 26|14.

Andhra Shares opened at Rs. 1660 and after improving to Rs. 1670 declined to Rs. 1660. Tata Hydro Shares opened at Rs. 178|12 and after declining to Rs. 176|14 improved to Rs. 177|8. Tata Power Shares opened at Rs. 1572 and improved to Rs. 1580. At this level there was some liquidation which depressed prices to Rs. 1567.

Tata Steel Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 141|8 and after declining to Rs. 140|8 improved to Rs. 141. Tata Steel Dfd. Shares opened at Rs. 647 and after improving to Rs. 655 declined to Rs. 640. Later on prices rallied to Rs. 650.

There was fairly good budly business to-day. The market is well liquidated and as soon as weak element is out of the market, prices are likely to as sume hardening tendency.

TEXTILE MILLS.

Bombay, April 26.

100	Am. Advance	285 0
500	Bom. Cotton	40 0
250	Bombay Deying	867 8
250	Bradbury	108 12
100	Century	286 14
100	Central India	327 8
100	Colaba	132 8
100	Coorla	107 8
100	Crescent	7 4
250	Currim	5 0
250	David	60 0
250	Dawn	360 0
1	E D Sassoon	0 3 3
100	Finlay	107 8
100	Gokak	190 0
1000	Hindustan	1,725 0
100	Indore	76 4
50	Kastoorchand	0 8
100	Khatau	67 8
100	Kohinoor	203 12
250	Laxmi	680 0
100	Madhavji	11 0
250	Madras United	45 0
1000	Morarji	1,050 0
250	Model	57 8

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, April 26.

Century 291, 287, 286, 286|14
Bom. Dyeing 867, 872, 868, 870, 867
Kohinoor 205, 203, 204, 203|12
Central India 326, 327, 325, 327|8
New Great 161, 160
Simplex 85, 82|8
Swadeshi 207
Bundi 46|4, 46|8, 46|4
I. Cement 410, 409, 407
Punjab 26|12, 26|14, 26|10, 26|14
Shahabad 411, 415, 412
Andhra 1660, 1670, 1667, 1660
Tata Hydro 178|12, 176|14, 177|8
Tata Power 1572, 1580, 1567, 1565, 1567
Tram Ord. 157|8
T. Steel Dfd 647 655, 645, 646, 640, 650, 647, 641, 645, 650
T. Steel Ord. 141|8, 140|8, 141, 140|8, 141
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. 170|8, 170
Bellapur 287, 290, 287, 286
B. Steam 287|8
B. Burma 365, 360

50	Mysore	108 12
200	New Great	160 0
100	Oosmanshahi	57 8
100	Phoenix	328 8
25	Sassoon Silk	39 0
1000	Sholapur	2,300 0
50	Simplex	82 8
100	Swadeshi	207 8
100	Swan	71 4
25	Tata	16 0
500	Vishnu	1.410 0
1000	Western	900 0

BANKS.

50-100	Baroda	93 0
25-50	Central	35 4
500	Imperial	1540 0
125-500	Imp. Cont.	381 14
50-100	India	117 4
5	Union	5 6

CEMENTS.

10	Bundi	46 4
70	Gwalior	115 0
160	Indian	407 8
40	Katni Def.	1350 0
100	Katni Ord.	387 8
75	Okha	221 4
10	Punjab	26 14
100	Shahabad	412 8
70	United	79 8

INSURANCE

15-100	Jupiter	11 12
15-75	New India	43 4
200	Oriental	4600 0
10-100	Vulcan	7 12

ELECTRIC.

100	Ahmedabad Old	162 8
1000	Andhra Valley	1660 0
10	Ajmer	11 0
50	Bombay Tram	157 3
100	Bom Suburban	177 8
10	Broach	11 8
100	Karachi	230 0
100	Poona	217 8
100	Surat	198 2
100	Tata Hydro	177 3
1000	Tata Power	1567 8

RAILWAYS.

500	Ahm. Prantij	865 4
100	Amr. Patty	116 4
100	C Province	91 4
100	Dhond Baramati	90 0
100	Gujarat	69 0
100	Mandra Bhon	95 8
100	Pachora Jamner	92 8
100	Sara Sirajgunge	93 0
500	Tapty Valley	767 8

MININGS

10	Shivrajpur	26 8
30	Tata Steel Defd.	650 0
75	Tata Steel Ordinary	141 0

MISCELLANEOUS.

100	Alcock	168 12
50	Belapur Sugar	286 4
250	Bombay Steam	287 8
125	Bombay Burma	360 0
15	Bombay Burma Contry	118 12
8sh.	Br B Petrol	3 0
50	Bombay Telephone	107 8
100	Indian Bleaching	143 12
100	Ind. Radio Defd.	505 0
100	Ind. Radio Ordy	495 0
1000	Port Canning	590 0
15	Scindia	10 12
30	Tata Construction	76 8
25	Tata Oil	18 4

PREFERENCE.

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1,340 0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	280 0
7	pc Bombay Tram	78 4
5	p.c. Central India	502 8
7	p.c. Katni 1st	131 4
7	p.c. Katni 2nd	142 8
7-1/2	p.c. Punjab Cement	14 2
7	p c Tata Hydro	137 8
7½	p c Tata Power	1375 0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	175 0
7½	p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	170 0
5½	p.c. Tata Mill	14 0
7	p.c. Vishnu	625 0

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

SETTLEMENT.

Bombay, April 26.

3 1/2 per cent G P N Sett 93/14/6
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash 93/14
4 per cent 1960/70 Sett 106/14
4 per cent 1960/70 Cash 106/14
5 per cent 1945/55 Sett 116/6
5 per cent 1945/55 Cash 116/6

TAX FREES

4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore 105/8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 116
5 1/2 per cent 1938 Mysore 107
6 1/2 per cent 1935 B D L 101/10

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES (CASH).

3 per cent 1941 100/8
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 101/8
4 per cent 1943 105/6
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 111/4
5 per cent 1939/44 107/14
5 per cent 1940/43 109/4
5 per cent 1935 100/8
5 1/2 per cent 1938/40 108
5 1/2 per cent 1935 T B 101/8

CORPORATION LOANS—TAXABLES.

4 per cent B P T 1974 101/8
4 per cent M Deb 1974 101/8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 112/8
6 per cent M Deb 1954 121
6 per cent K P T 1956 121
6 1/2 per cent B I T 1937 106

Note.—3 1/2 per cent Government paper opened to-day at Rs. 93/15 and advanced to Rs. 94/4 at this level there was realising and prices declined to Rs. 93/14/6. The tendency of the market is upward

To-day London market opened quiet at a decline of shillings ten. The local market was fairly steady and 3 1/2 per cent paper was quoted at Rs. 94.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN.

London, April 25.

	This week.
Total Bullion	£193,100,000
Public Deposits	£ 7,600,000
(A) Other Deposits	£137,700,000
Government Securities	£ 87,700,000
(B) Other Securities	£ 15,400,000
Notes and Coins	£ 59,200,000
Notes in Circulation	£393,200,000
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	41.19%
(A) Other Deposits including bankers	£ 88,100,000
(B) Other Securities including discount and advances	£ 5,800,000

NEW YORK COTTON

Bombay April 26

On Thursday the New York cotton futures market was active and strong on active buying stimulated by strength of Wall-Street and Japanese buying. Only 3,500 bales were tendered against May delivery and notices were promptly stopped. There was considerable short covering and sharp rise in silver was taken as a signal for fresh inflation.

There was decided improvement in the general feeling and offerings were light. It is feared that an attempt will be made to squeeze old crop months. It is too early to think about any corner but we know for certain that for the last several months, mills delayed their buying and consumed their stocks. Thus there is a big potential demand for cotton and this is bound to appear on any favourable development.

The New York market opened at a rise of 13 points but declined three points from the opening level and July was quoted 11.62 Later on prices advanced on renewed buying and the market closed at a rise of 28 to 16 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 20 points at 12 cents.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was firm and closed at a rise of 22 to 19 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 27 points at 12.15c.

PRIVATE CABLES.

N. Y. July Highest (12-2 p.m.)	11.79+27
N. Y. July Lowest (10-36 a.m.)	11.62+10
Liverpool July Highest (4-15 p.m.)	6.44+08
Liverpool July Lowest (10-1 a.m.)	6.35—01

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cables from their Liverpool Agents:—

10-35 a.m.:—Local support on U.S.A. silver edict. Basis tendency higher unless Government releases.

9-47 p.m.:—Advance due to rise in Silver and far east buying.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:

Liverpool.—Improvement due to increasing tightness old crop spot situation and inflationary possibilities in American silver raising policy. Market narrow. Trading almost entirely professional.

Liverpool.—Market advanced in sympathy with New York owing to rise in the value of silver. Lancashire yarn market steady. Spinners are fixing the price of cotton bought on "call". Our opinion is that the consumption will increase at present prices.

New York.—Market has advanced owing to immediate absorption of May tenders and steady trade buying. Advise buying on all breaks. Moderate business doing in cloths and yarns.

New York.—Spot and commission houses covered May. Far East good buyers of distants. Tenders for May delivery small.

New York.—There are strong indications of continued business expansion and easy credit condition. No pressure following the advance. Strongly we favour purchases now.

New York.—Delivery notices light. Will be possible to corner July. Market influenced by political propaganda for silver.

New York.—Market active and higher due to new speculative buying and short covering on fear of squeeze in old crop months. Advance in silver renewing inflation talk. Notices issued for about 3,500 bales. Market acting well and looks higher.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, April. 25.

May 1935	11.70+28
July 1935	11.72+20
October 1935	11.34—16
December 1935	11.43—18
January 1936	11.47—18
March 1936	11.53—17
Middling Spot	12.00+20

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, April 25.

May 1935	11.65+30
July 1935	11.70+22
October 1935	11.32+19
December 1935	11.32+19
January 1936	11.32+19
March 1936	11.47—18
Middling Spot	12.15+27

NEW YORK.

New York, April 25.

New York, 10 55 a.m.—	
May 1935	11.57
July 1935	11.63
October 1935	11.30
New York, Noon Call—	
May 1935	11.65
July 1935	11.69
October 1935	11.34

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS.

New York, April 25.

	Bales
Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	3.000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	Nil.
Day's Exports to the Continent	6,000

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, April 25.

T. T. London on.—	
Berlin	12.01
Amsterdam	7.15 3-4
Brussels	28.52-1/2
Madrid	35.35
Milan	58.46
Berne	14.93
Paris	73.22
Prague	115.50
T. T. London on New York	
Closing rate	4.83 31/6

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Bombay, April 26.

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of one point. There was hedge selling, London and Continental realising which met with local and trade support. Later on there was good trade buying and short covering together with speculative buying in response with strength in New York. The market closed steady at a rise of 6 to 7 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined one point at 6.65d.

INDIAN COTTON

East Indian Cotton futures market was steady and closed at a rise of 6 points. At the close May was quoted 5.87, July 5.85 and October 5.83.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

There was scattered buying in Egyptian cotton. Sakels futures closed at a rise of 3 to 6 points with spot cotton 11 points up at 8.39. Uppers futures advanced 7 to 9 points.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET.

Alexandria cotton futures market was fairly steady. Sakels futures closed at a rise of 4 to 9 points and Ashmouni futures gained 6 to 17 points.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, April 25.

	10-12 a. m. Quotations	To-day's Price.
April 1935		6.51+06
May 1935		6.47+06
June 1935	6.38	6.45+07
July 1935		6.43+07
August 1935		6.34+07
September 1935		6.26+06
October 1935		6.19+06
November 1935		6.16+06
December 1935		6.16+06
January 1936		6.16+06
February 1936		6.16+06
March 1936		6.17+06
May 1936		6.15+05
Middling Spot		6.65—01

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, April 25

F. G. F. SAKELLARIDIS:—

May 1935	8.10
July 1935	8.10
October 1935	8.10
November 1935	8.05
January 1936	8.04
F. G. F. Spot	8.39

INDIAN COTTON.

Liverpool, April 9.

BROACH.—	
Fully Good (Good Staple)	5.76
Fine (Good Staple)	5.91
Superfine (Good Staple)	6.06
OOMRA.—	
Fine (No 1 Staple)	5.76
Superfine (No. 1 Staple)	5.91
Choice (No. 1 Staple)	6.06
BENGAL.—	
Good	3.72
Fully Good	3.82
Fine	3.92
SCINDE.—	
Fully Good	3.82
Fine	3.92
Superfine	4.02

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London. April 25

	£
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	67-1/2
Indian Stock 3 per cent 1931 later	83-1/2
Indian Stock, 3 1/2 per cent. 1931 later	98
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent. 1950/55	112-1/2
Consols, 2 1/2 per cent.	89
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2 per cent 1961	103-1-4
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent. 1952	108 1-4
Funding Loan, 4 per cent. 1960/90	118 3-8
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	116 1-2
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	14 3-4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	125
National Bank of India	43-1-4
P & O. Banking Corporation	10 1-4 nominal

LONDON METALS.

London. April 25.

	£
Copper Braziers	45
Yellow Metal	37-1/2
Spelter Hard Indian Brands	13-14
Corrugated Sheets 24 Gauge	12-3/7
Tin English Ingots Liverpool F O B	224-1/2

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES.

London, April 25

Bank Bills 3 months market rate 0.9/16 per cent. to 0.5/8 per cent.

Bank Bills 3 months market rate 0.5/8 per cent. to 0.11/16 per cent.

Fine Trade Bills 3 months market rate 2 per cent.

Fine Trade Bills 6 months market rate 2.1/2 per cent. to 3 per cent.

Interest Day to Day Loan 0.1/4 per cent. to 0.1/2 per cent.

Interest 7 Days Market Loan, 0.1/2 per cent. to 0.1/2 per cent.

SEEDS.

London, April 25.

Linseed Laplata Hull C.I.F. ton £9-8-9 April sellers.

Linseed Calcutta London C.I.F. ton £11-8-9 April/May sellers.

Linseed Bombay London C.I.F. ton £12 April/May sellers.

Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont C.I.F. ton £12-3-9 April/May sellers

Castorseed Bombay, C.I.F. ton £11-10-0 May/Aug. sellers.

Cottonseed Bombay, C.I.F. ton No offers.

Linseed oils naked London per cwt 20-4 1/2 May paid and sellers.

Linseed oils naked London per cwt 20/10-1/2 June/Aug. sellers.

Smoked Sheet Standard ribbed per lb. 5-11/16

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, April 26.

Following further improvement in New York prices, the local market opened to-day at 1 p.m. at Rs. 83/8 for Vaishakh delivery. The market was erratic and heavy profit-taking depressed prices to Rs. 82/4. There was utter absence of any new business and mostly open interest was being closed. Extensive fluctuations have resulted in huge losses and profits and the market is nervous. The gold market was fairly steady with a slightly better enquiry.

Later on there was heavy short covering and prices advanced about rupee one from the lowest level of Rs. 82/4 as under:—

	Rs a. p.
Ready silver	82 15 0
Vaishakh delivery	83 3 0
Jeth delivery	83 9 0
Ready gold	36 0 6
Vaishakh delivery	36 1 0
Jeth delivery	36 1 9

LONDON SILVER.

London, April 25.

Market: Closed uncertain.
Spot 34 7/8
Forward 35
Gold Bars Fine per oz. £7-4-5.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, April 25

July 2.43
September 2.50
December 2.58
January 2.40

COPPER AND YELLOW METAL

Bombay, April 26

London market:—
Standard Copper Cash (buyers) £31
Standard Copper Cash (sellers) £31-1-3
Standard Copper 3 months £31-8-9
Electrolytic Copper £35-10-0
New York Electrolytic Copper: Blue Eagle 9 cents
Non Blue Eagle 7 1/2 cents
Bombay market:—
Yellow metal sheets 4'x4'x21/Rs. 31-14-0
28/112/Rs. 30-8
Copper sheets 4'x4'x21/112/Rs. 35-4-
Tone: Easy

LONDON PRODUCE

London, April 25.

Wheat, Rozario Santa Fe, parcels May sellers 24/6.

Wheat, Barletta Russo, parcels, May sellers 24/9.

Wheat, South Australian, parcels April sellers 27/9

JAVA SUGAR LONDON MARKET

London, April 25.

Java Sugar Fine White Dutch Standard No. 25.

U and F Calcutta per cwt. 6/9 April/May nominal.

C and F Bombay per cwt. 6/6 April/May sellers.

C and F Karachi per cwt. 6/6 April/May sellers.

NEW YORK COFFEE MARKET

Few York, April 25.

Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 Quality) 9-7/8

COTTON ARRIVALS

	Bales.
Receipts into Bombay on 24th April	18,089
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1934	1,790,783
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	1,772,558
Increase	18,225

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, April 25.

Broach A/M. Op. 238 1/2; Highest 239; Lowest 237 1/4; Closing 238 1/4.

Broach J/A. Op. 233 1/4; Highest 233 3/4; Lowest 231 3/4; Closing 232 3/4

Broach A/M. 1936 Op. 221 1/4; Highest 221 3/4; Lowest 219 3/4; Closing 221.

Oomra May Op. 206 1/2; Highest 106; Lowest 206 1/2; Closing 207.

Oomra July Op. 207; Highest 208; Lowest 207; Closing 207 1/2.

Bengal May Op. 136 1/4; Highest 137 1/2; Lowest 136 1/4; Closing 137.

Bengal July Op. 138 1/4; Highest 139 1/4; Lowest 138 1/4; Closing 138 1/2.

Teji-Mandi for Broach J/A. 1935 (30-6-35; Rs. 15 1/2

Teji-Mandi for Broach Settlement (21-5-35) Rs. 9 1/2.

Teji-Mandi for Broach A/May 1936 (31-3-36) Rs. 35 3/4.

WORLD COTTON PARITIES

STRADDLE DIFFERENCES.

New York—Liverpool:—
May 138. July 129 at Cross Rate 4.83 1/4.

Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach A/M. 240/8—Liverpool May 6.50 Rs. 42 1/4 at Exchange 1/6.

Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach J/A. 235—Liverpool July 6.46 Rs. 42 1/4 at Exchange 1/6.

Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach A/M. 1936 223/4—Liverpool May 1936 6.18 Rs. 46 1/4 at Exchange 1/6

Bombay—New York:—
Broach A/M. 240/8—New York May 11.70 Rs. 28 at Cross Rate 4.83 1/4.

Bombay—New York:—
Broach J/A. 235—New York July 11.72 Rs. 34 3/4 at Cross Rate 4.83 1/4.

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

F P Bales	1934-35	1933-34
Receipts to date 25-4-35	4146000	7050000
Receipts yesterday 25-4-35	3000	6000
Exports to date 25-4-35	3942000	6421000
Stock at Ports 22-4-35	2106000	3051000
Stock at Interior Towns 22-4-35	1447000	1523000
Stock at Liverpool 22-4-35	749000	1040000
Visible Supply 22-4-35	4996000	6899000
Quantity in sight 22-4-35	7460000	10965000
Quantity out of sight 22-4-35	7782000	10619000

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 26.

Following a sharp rise of 20 points in New York cotton futures, the local cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 235 for Broach J/A. delivery and advanced to Rs. 237 on general buying. The market was steady at this level with a moderate business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range. Later on there was renewed buying and prices advanced to Rs. 238/4. The undertone of the market was firm.

Liverpool market opened at a rise of 4 points. The local market ruled firm and Broach J/A was quoted at Rs. 239/4. The market closed at 5-30 p.m. as under:—

Broach A/M	243 12 0
Broach J/A	239 4 0
New Broach A/M 1936	227 0 0
Oomra May	213 0 0
Oomra July	213 12 0
Bengal May	142 8 0
Bengal July	144 4 0

COTTON TENDERS

Bombay, April 26

	To-day	Total.
Broach A/M	300	3,000

OFFICIAL COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, April 26

	Extra	Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G—						
Bengal U P	...	148	143	139	136	
Panjab	...	148	143	139	136	
Rajputana	...	149	144	140	137	
Oomra No. 3	220	217	214	210	...	
C P No. 1	240	237	234	230	...	
C P No. 2	227	224	221	217	...	
Broach No. 2	...	251	247	243	238	
Punjab-Ame	...	281	277	273	268	
Surat	...	331	327	323	318	
Rajpipla	...	331	327	323	318	
Navsari	...	336	332	328	323	

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, April 26

Bengal Superfine	157
Bengal Fine	147
Bengal F G	142
Sindh-Punjab Fine	147
Sindh-Punjab F G	142
Wardha-Hingt	235
Nagpur/Savner	237
Pundhurna	322
Yeotmal	221
Arvi	220
Ellichpur	218
Berar	212/214
Khamgaon	214/216
Mulkapur	210/212
Khandesh	207/210
Jalna/Sailu	207/210
Burwah-Sanavad	217
Broach Fine	253
Punjab/American	276
Punjab/American mix	261
Cambodia	311
Compta Good	281
Kampala	371
Busoga	369
Jinja	367

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, April 26

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

	Yesterday.	Since 1st Sept This year.
In full-pressed bales		
Khandesh	530	220,236
Central India	295	87,319
Barsi and Nagar	190	89,835
Hyderabad Gaorani	599	38,299
Berar	1,488	328,558
Central Provinces	53	79,563
Total Oomras	3,155	843,810
Dholera	399	131,733
N W Provinces	...	30,528
Rajputana	477	21,847
Sind-Punjab	1,735	279,820
Broach	215	113,959
Coompta and Dharwar	1,862	53,220
Westerns-Northerns	955	33,248
Cocoanada	2	114
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	1,185	41,156
Persian	...	2,450
American	3,934	26,886
Egyptian and African	2,496	227,716
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	...	711
Total	16,415	1,807,198

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY

1st Sept to 18th Apl

	Yesterday.	This year.
In full-pressed bales		
Europe	1,524	283,910
Japan and China	8,658	759,820
Coast Ports	104	20,421
Up-country by Rail	...	155,476
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan	...	11,307
Total	10,286	1,230,934

SHRI MAHAJAN ASSOCIATION LTD.

The following rates prevailed in the market on 26th day of April 1935.

Broach Fully Good Quality.

Vaidas.

(B.T.)	April-May 1934-35	July-Aug 1935
10-30	Rs. 241/4	238/8
12-30	Rs. 244	241
2-30	Rs. 244/4	241/4
4-30	Rs. 244/12	241/12
	April-May	July-Aug
Highest	245 242	240/12
Lowest	241/4 232/4	

SPOT RATES

Superfine 251
Fine 247
Fully Good 243
Good 238

To-day Survey was held for 80 bales of April-May Vaida 1934-35

SEEDS TRADERS' ASSOCIATION

Bombay, April 26

Castorseeds May delivery: Opening Rs. 31/3; Highest Rs. 31/10/6; Lowest Rs. 31; Closing Rs. 31/10

Castorseeds September delivery: Opening Rs. 33/1; Lowest Rs. 33; Closing Rs. 33/11

Groundnut seeds May delivery: Opening Rs. 42; Highest Rs. 42/2/6; Lowest Rs. 41/11; Closing Rs. 42/2

Groundnut seeds August delivery: Opening Rs. 44; Highest Rs. 44/2/6; Lowest Rs. 43/11; Closing Rs. 44/2

Cottonseeds May delivery: Opening Rs. 24/11; Highest Rs. 24/13; Lowest Rs. 24/9; Closing Rs. 24/11

Cottonseeds September delivery: Opening Rs. 26/5; Highest Rs. 26/10; Lowest Rs. 26/2; Closing Rs. 26

MONEY MARKET

Exchange Quotations

Bombay, April 26.

B C Rate T T D D 1/6 1/32
LONDON—
Banks selling T T D D 1/6 3/32 to 15th May
Banks selling T T 1/6 1/16 to 15th June.
Banks selling T T 1/6 1/32 July-Aug.
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32
Banks buying D D 1/6 3/16
Banks buying 3 Mos 1/6 7/32 Mail.
Banks buying 3 Mos 1/6 3/16 June
NEW YORK—
B C Rate T T 277 1/2
Banks selling T T 275 1/2
Banks buying T T 272 3/4
PARIS—
Banks selling D D 549
Banks buying D D 559
AMSTERDAM—
Banks selling D D 53 1/2
JAVA—
Banks selling D D 53 1/2
JAPAN—
Banks selling T T 78 1/4 nominal.
Banks buying T T 77 3/4 nominal.
HONGKONG—
Banks selling D D 170
SHANGHAI—
Banks selling D D 114 1/4
SINGAPORE—
Banks selling D D 136 1/2
BERLIN—
Banks selling D D 88 3/4
CROSS RATE—
New York/London 4.83 1/8 25th inst.
Shanghai/London 1/8 5/16 26th inst.
Japan/London 1/2 1/8 26th inst.
Java/London 7.15 26th inst.
London/Paris 73.22 25th inst.
London/Belgium 28.52 1/2 25th inst.
London/Switzerland 14.93 25th inst.
London/Italy 58.46 25th inst.
London/Berlin 12.01 25th inst.
London/Stockholm 19.39 1/2 25th inst.
London/New York 4.83 3/16 25th inst.
London/Amsterdam 7.15 25th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Firm.
Gold £7-3-8 1/2 24th inst. £7-4-5 25th inst.
Silver London Ready 32 13/16 24th inst. 34 7/8 25th inst.
Silver London Forward 32 15/16 24th inst. 35 25th inst.
Silver New York Ready 71 3/4 24th inst. 77 1/4 25th inst.
London Discounts 3 Mos 5/8 p.c. 24th inst. 5/8 p.c. 25th inst.
London Discounts 6 Mos 11/16 p.c. 24th inst. 11/16 p.c. 25th inst.
Imperial Bank Rate 3 1/2 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call 2 per cent.
3 Mos. 2 1/2 per cent.
6 Mos. 2 1/4 per cent.
Tone:—Firm.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, April 25.

3 per cent India Sterling Loan £88 1/2
3 1/2 per cent India Sterling Loan £98
3 1/2 per cent India Sterling Loan 1954/59 £105 1/2
4 per cent India Sterling Loan 1948/53 £108 1/2
4 1/2 per cent India Sterling Loan 1950/55 £112 1/2
4 1/2 per cent India Sterling Loan 1958/68 £117
5 per cent India Sterling Loan 1942/47 £117
5 1/2 per cent India Sterling Loan 1936/38 £105 1/2
6 per cent India Sterling Loan 1935/57 £102 1/2
2 1/2 per cent British Consols £39
3 1/2 per cent Conversion £103 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £108 1/4

WALL STREET MARKET

New York, April 25.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange.—

	Dol.
Amer. Forn. Power Com.	4
Amer. Forn. Power 7 p.c. P.	18
Electric Bond Common	7
Electric Bond 5 dol Pfd.	46
Columbia Gas	7
American Tel. and Tel.	113
Western Union Telg.	27 1/2
Radio Corp.	5
Chesapeake and Ohio	42
New York Central	17 1/4
Baltimore and Ohio R. R.	11
Erie R. R.	9
Pennsylvania R. R.	21
Union Pacific R. R.	92
Great North Pfd.	13
National Distillers	26 1/2
Hiram Walker	25
Amr. Tobacco B.	84
Canadian Pacific	10
Bethelehem Steel	27
United States Steel	33
American Smelting	43
Noranda Mines	40
Int. Nickel of Canada	27
Anaconda Copper Mining	13 1/2
Kennecott Copper	18
Cerro de Pasco Copper	62
International Harvester	40
Ford Motors of Canada A	29
General Motor	31
Packard Motor	4
General Electric	25
St. Oil of N. J.	42
Atlantic Refining	24
Socony	13 3/4
Plymouth Oil	11
American Radiator	19
Chase Bank	21 3/4
National City Bank	21 1/4
Sun Life of Canada	310
Celanese Corp. of Amr.	21
General Foods	34
National Dairy	14 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	99
Bendix	15

Market broad, still looks favourable. U. S. Steel working 43 per cent of capacity. Brokers loans up 100 millions.

Total business 1 3/4 million.

Noranda earned 65 cents per share compared to dol 1.90 same period in 1934. Bendix earned 38 cents per share compared to 36 cents in 1934. Gen Motors earned 68 cents per share in first quarter 1935 compared to 63 cents per share in first quarter 1934.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, April 25

May 98—1c
July 97 3/8—5/8c
October 97 7/8—5/8c

Latest Commercial News

FURTHER RISE OF 17 POINTS IN N. Y. COTTON

Easier Tendency In Crossrates

NEW HIGH LEVEL TOUCHED BY SILVER

Wheat Steady And Linseed Quiet

BOMBAY, April 26

On Friday, cross rates ruled easier.

NEW YORK COTTON QUIET

New York opened firm but thereafter ruled quiet in the absence of further enquiry.

FURTHER RISE IN GOLD AND SILVER

London gold and silver prices improved further to-day. Silver touched new high level to-day.

WHEAT STEADY AND LINSEED QUIET

Wheat was steady and linseed was quiet.

ABSENCE OF SUPPORT IN SECURITIES

There was little activity in the London Stock Exchange as preliminary arrangement for the settlement restricted business. Giltedged securities early exhibited improved sentiment but later reacted in the absence of support.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

(July 1935.)

New York, April 26

Previous closing	11.72
To-day's opening	11.82
Difference	+.10
To-day's closing	11.89
Difference	+.17

LIVERPOOL COTTON

(July 1935.)

Liverpool, April 26

Previous closing	6.43
To-day's opening	6.47
Difference	+04
To-day's closing	6.50
Difference	+07

BROACH EXPECTATION

July-August ..... Rs. 240

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

New York, April 26

Cotton displayed further strength on continued good support following the report that producers' pool is contemplating offering spot to mills provided they buy near futures ultimately taking delivery to replace the pool stock. However on the advance the demand tapered off with buyers holding off pending further developments at Washington in connection with the cotton programme.

Business in July was done at the opening at 11.82 i.e. 10 points higher than the previous closing. The market early advanced on good speculative buying and spot house purchases coupled with better Liverpool advices but thereafter prices eased under May liquidation and outside selling with July falling to 11.78. At this stage the market again became steadier but in the absence of further enquiry prices showed little inclination to rise.

The New York cotton market finally closed at 11.89 with a rise of 17 points.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 26

The following were the opening ranges

May (11.60/11.57) 11.79/11.79
July (11.65/11.65) 11.84/11.82
October (11.30/11.29) 11.47/11.44

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, April 26

The following were the rates at 12-15 p.m.

American March (6.41) 6.54
American July (6.37) 6.49
Egyptian March (8.09) 8.15
Egyptian July (8.08) 8.15

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 26
10-30 p.m.

Broach July-August moved between Rs. 240-4 and Rs. 237-12 at night. The rate at 10-15 p.m. was Rs. 237-12 with New York futures about 4 points up.

BOMBAY BULLION

Bombay, April 26

Silver opened firm at Rs. 82/2, 82/8 and 82/14. The market continued excited owing to further bullish news from abroad resulting in considerable speculative activity and with London cables showing a further sharp rise in silver renewed buying and covering set in causing further improvement. Prices closed steady at Rs. 84/12, 85/2 and 85/8.

Gold opened steady at Rs. 36/0/6, 36/1/6 and 36/2/6. The market displayed a good deal of interest to-day on good speculative buying and covering influenced by steadier franc. Prices closed steady at Rs. 36/7, 36/8 and 36/9.

BOMBAY SUGAR

Bombay, April 26

Ready Javas Rs. 13-10
Shipment April Rs. 3-15-3
Shipment April-May Rs. 4-0-6
Shipment June Rs. 4-1-3
Shipment July-Sept Rs. 4-2
Shipment Oct-Dec Rs. 4-3
Kesar Rs. 14-2
Saraya Rs. 13-10
Java Spot F4.06

EXCHANGES

LONDON-NEW YORK CROSS RATE

Latest Quotations

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON.

New York, April 26

Previous closing	4.83 1/4
To-day's opening	4.81 3/4
To-day's closing	4.81

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK.

London, April 26

Previous closing	4.83 3/16
To-day's opening	4.83
To-day's closing	4.81 1/8
Difference	—.02 1/16

FRANC RATE

London, April 26

Previous closing	73.22
To-day's opening	73.21
To-day's closing	72.78
Difference	—.44

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 26

London exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.83 and then further eased to 4.81 7/8 subsequently fluctuations were rather small and far between.

The sterling dollar cross rate finally closed at 4.81 1/8.

Franc opened at 73.21 and then fell to 73.03 eventually gradually declining to 72.80.

The sterling franc cross rate finally closed at 72.78.

LONDON SILVER

London, April 26

The market closed uncertain.

	Last price	To-day's price
Forward	34 7/8d.	36 1/4d.
Spot	35d.	36 3/8d.

LONDON GOLD

London, April 26

Gold per ounce (£7-4-5) £7-4-9 1/2

DISCOUNTS

London, April 26

3 months (5/8 p.c. to 5/8 p.c.) 5/8 p.c. to 5/8 p.c.

4 months (5/8 p.c. to 11/16 p.c.) 5/8 p.c. to 11/16 p.c.

6 months (5/8 to 3/4 p.c.) 5/8 to 3/4 p.c.

CROSS RATES

London, April 26
3-30 p.m.

London on Bombay	(1-6 1/8) 1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay	(5.52 1/8) 5.50 3/4
New York on Bombay	(36.55) 36.50
Berlin on Bombay	(0.91 1/2) 0.91 1/4
London on Shanghai	(1-8) 1-8
London on Milan	(58.40) 58.18
London on Kobe	(1-2 1/8) 1-2 1/8

ARGENTINE LINSEED

Buenos Aires, April 25

April 11.94 plus 01
May 12.02—03
June 12.15—01

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVAL.

Bombay, April 26.

S.S. Alavi, (Agents: T M & Co) Capt. J Beathe, from Jeddah via Karachi.

S.S. Chinkoa, (Agents: M M & Co.) Capt. K G Mau, from Rangoon.

S.S. C Baroda (Agents: K N & Co.) Capt. L Nuesell, from Liverpool via Port Said.

S.S. Bamora, (Agents: M M & Co.), Capt. K G Menu from Rangoon.

S.S. Golabala, (Agents S S & Co.), Capt. A E Trechi from Bassin via Colombo.

DEPARTURES

Bombay, April 26.

S.S. Nirvana, (Agents: M M & Co.), Capt. A E William for Bhavnagar.

COMMODITIES

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, April 26

Liverpool wheat opened firm with May at 64-5/8, July 77-1/4 and October 69. The market was more active to-day on better enquiry with fairly good business passing.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, April 26

Chicago wheat opened steady with May at 0.98-3/4. The market showed improved tendency influenced by unfavourable weather reports.

LONDON MARKETS

London, April 26

The following were the rates at 3-30 p.m.

METALS

Tin (£224 3/4 buyers £225 sellers. Dull) £224 3/4 buyers £225 sellers. Dull.

Lead (£12 1/4 buyers. No sellers) £12 7/16 buyers. No sellers. Firm

Electrolytic Copper (£34 3/4 to £35 1/2) £34 3/4 to £35 1/2

Glasgow (£70) £70

TEA

Indian Pekoe (0-9) 0-9
Indian Pekoe higher (1-0 1/4) 1-0 1/4
Ceylon Pekoe (0-10 3/4) 0-10 3/4
Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-6 1/4) 2-6 1/4

JUTE

Crop April-May (£17 3/4 value) £17 3/4 paid

Dunlop May (£20 1/2) £20 1/2

Lightning May (£18 15/16) £18 15/16

RUBBER

Spot (5 11/16) 5 3/4 paid and buyers

April-June (6) 6 1/16 paid and buyers

LINSEED

Linseed Bombay April-May (£12) £12 sellers

Linseed Calcutta April-May (£11 7/16 sellers) £11 7/16 sellers

Linseed La Plata (£9 7/16) £9 7/16 sellers.

Groundnuts Coromandal (£14 3/4) £14 3/4 sellers

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, April 26

Wheat May	4 6 6
Linseed May	6 12 6

The tone was steady.

BROWN BOLD LINSEED

(Through Bombay Grains and Seeds Association.)

Bombay, April 26

	Rs. a. p
Rates at 9-0 a.m.	6 11 6
Rates at 12-0 noon	6 11 9
Rates at 3-30 p.m.	6 12 0
Rates at 5-30 p.m.	6 12 3
Rates at 6-30 p.m.	6 12 9
Rates at 8-30 p.m.	6 12 6
Rates at 10-30 p.m.	6 12 3

FAIR BUSINESS IN JUTE SHARES

Govt. Securities Firm

CALCUTTA, April 26

In jutes fair business resulted. Coals kept steady and unchanged. In teas also fair business was done at quotation prices. The miscellaneous section disclosed no special feature. Government securities were firm. The following were the closing quotations:

Government securities: 3 1/2 per cent Government. Paper 94/1; four per cent loan 1943 105/10; four and half per cent loan 1955/60 111/6; five per cent loan 1945/55 116/4 small lot; five per cent loan 1940/43 109/6; five per cent loan 1939/44 107/12; five and half per cent loan 1938/40 108/4.

Banks: Imperial conty 383; Reserve Bank 120.

Coals: 272/8

Jutes: Albion 252; Anglo India 474/8; Auckland 236/8 small lots; Bally 221/8; Barnagore 169; Champdany 193; Clive 302; Dalhousie 358; Fort William 334 small lot; Fort Gloster 598; Ganges 347/8 small lot; Gourepore 700/8; Gourepore pref 130; Howrah 56/4; Hukumchand 14; India 400 small lot; Kamarhatty 540; Lansdowne 165; National 24/5; Nuddea 58 small lot; Orient 207 small lot; Presidency 5/6; Standard 334/8 small lot.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corporation 1/14; Benares Electric 14/8; Bengal Telephone ordy 18/12; Upper Jumna Electric 13; Indian Iron and Steel 6/13; Indian Wood Products 31/8 small lots; Titaghur Paper ordy 20; Titaghur Paper defd 8/4; Titaghur Paper pref eight per cent rupees 100 paid up 159-1/2 small lot; India General Navigation 109—A. P.

SIR FRANK NOYCE ON LEAVE

Mr. Mitchel To Act As Temporary Member

SIMLA, April 26.

The Governor-General-in-Council has granted Sir Frank Noyce four months leave on private affairs with effect from June 8.

During his absence Mr. D. G. Mitchel, the Secretary to the Labour and Industries Department will act as temporary Member of the Governor-General's Executive Council and will hold charge of the Department of Industries and Labour.—United Press.

INTEREST CHIEFLY CENTRED IN BRITISH INDUSTRIALS

WHEAT FIRM IN SYMPATHY WITH OVERSEAS ADVICES

Wall Street Narrowly Irregular

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, April 26

On the Stock Exchange interest has been chiefly centred in British home industrials activity being stimulated by a further batch of bumper annual reports notably Marks Spencers, Tate Lyle and Ever Ready. In other sections a confident feeling prevailed but apart from further interest in silver minings, business was quiet owing to the end of the account.

In Commodities wheat was firm in sympathy with overseas. Cotton also advanced despite profit-taking.

Wall Street opened narrowly irregular.

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, April 26

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £97 3/4.

PREVIOUS CLOSING RATES.

Tuesday, April 16 £93 3/4
Wednesday, April 17 £95 1/2
Thursday, April 18, £95 1/2
Tuesday, April 23 £95 1/2
Wednesday, April 24 £95 1/2
Thursday, April 25 £98

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 26
3-30 p.m.

Giltedgeds were easier on profit taking after being firm. Industrials generally and silver mining shares were good. Otherwise markets generally were occupied with preliminary arrangement for the settlement which restricted business.

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consuls (£88 1/2) £89
3 1/2 per cent Government Loan (£108 1/8) £108 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£113 1/2) £113 5/8
4 per cent Funding Loan (£118 1/4) £118 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£108) £106 1/2 ex div
4 per cent. Victory Bonds (£116 1/4) £116 1/2

INDUSTRIALS

British Homestores 7 p.c. Preference cumulative (27-9) 27-1 1/2
Marks and Spencer Splits share (5) 5
Hydro Electric (dol 3 1/2) dol 3 3/4
Musical Industries (28-0) 28-0
Princhin Johnson (39-6) 41-3
Imperial Chemical (35-4 1/2) 35-4 1/2
Imperial Chemical Ord (8-6) 8-6
Woolsworth New Ford (107-3) 107-3
Realisation 1930 (88) 88
Dunlop Rubber (44-6) 44-6
University Ordinary (27-3) 27-3
Ford Motors (33-3) 34-6
Cables and Wireless (6 3/8) 6 3/8
British American Tobacco (120-7 1/2) 121-3
Camera A (£7 3/4) £8
Imperial Tobacco Ord (139-4 1/2) 139-4 1/2
P and O S N Co. Defd (16-10 1/2) 16-10 1/2
Distillers (91-1 1/2) 91-1 1/2
Bred and Dyers (7-3) 7-3
British Celonese (8-10 1/2) 9-7 1/2
J and P Coates Ordinary (64-9) 65-6
Courtaulds Ordinary (51-10 1/2) 52-1 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (7-0) 7-0
Western Ltd Ordinary (10-4 1/2) 10-4 1/2
Inter Nickels (27 3/8) 23 1/8
Bengal Iron and Steel (6-0) 6-0
Tata Iron and Steel (£109 1/2) £109 1/2

INDIAN LOANS

London, April 26
3-30 p.m.

3 per cent Indian Stock (£88) £88
3 1/3 per cent Indian Stock (£96) £98
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950/55 (£112 1/2) £112 1/2
4 1/2 per cent. 1958/68 (£117) £117 1/2
4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£108 1/2) £108 1/2
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£116 1/2) £117
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1934-53 (£105 1/2) £105 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan (£110 1/2) £110

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (18-1 1/2) 18-1 1/2
Donaro Tea (38-6) 38-6
Empire of India and Ceylon (32-6) 33-0

JUTE SHARES

Bangalore (£15) £15

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (22-3) 22-3
Gula Kelampong (20-0) 21-3
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (29-7 1/2) 29-7 1/2

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (56-3) 56-3
Burma Corporation (9-4 1/2) 10-0
Rio Tintos (£16 1/2) £16 1/2
East Rand Proprietary (52-6) 52-6
Rand Mines (162-6) 162-6

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (41-3) 43-1 1/2
Anglo Dutch (50-0), 51-10 1/2
Burma Oil (75-7 1/2) 76-3
Mexican Eagle (4-0) 4-0
Shell Transport (53-1 1/2) 54-4 1/2
Royal Dutch (£21-4 1/2) £21-4 1/2

HOME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£50 1/4) £50 1/4
L M Ford (£19 3/4) £19 3/4
L N E R Defd (£6 1/2) £6 1/2
Southern Dutch (£24 1/2) £24 1/2
London Pass 5 per cent (£131 3/4) £132 1/4
London Board G Stock (£99 1/4) £99 1/4

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (279-3) 279-3
Goddar New (220-0) 221-3
Moddar New (81-3) 81-3
Sub Nigel (282-6) 286-3
Union Corporation (157-6) 160-0
Spring Mines Split Share (48-9) 48-9

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, April 26

General Motor (dol 30 3/8) dol 31 1/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 11 7/8) dol 13 3/4
U S Steel Common (dol 32 3/8) dol 33 1/8
U S Steel Preference (dol 86 1/2) dol 87 1/4

All India Cotton Crop Estimate

Yield Decrease 5 Per Cent

The fifth forecast of the cotton crop of India for 1934-35 was issued to-day by the Indian Central Cotton Committee, Bombay. This is the last forecast of the season which began on September 1 and will end on August 31.

The forecast refers to the entire cotton area of India and deals with both the early and the late crops of the season.

The estimated area of cotton in acres is 23,830,000, which is less by one per cent. than the revised estimate of acreage for the same period last year.

The estimated yield of cotton in bales of 400 lbs. nett is 4,807,000, which is less by five per cent. as compared with the revised estimates for the same period last year.

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	Estimated Area of Cotton in acres.	Estimated Yield of Cotton in bales of 400 lbs. net.
Season 1934-35	23,830,000	4,807,000
Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) of above figure on the revised estimate at this date last year	—1 per cent.	—5 per cent.

The statement below shows the present estimates of area and yield classified according to the recognised trade descriptions of cotton.

Trade descriptions of cotton	Area. (In acres.)	Yield. (In bales of 400 lbs. net).
Oomras	10,097,000	1,484,000
Bengals	3,861,000	1,331,000
Dholleras	2,925,000	588,000
Broach	1,378,000	152,000
Americans	1,030,000	473,000
Others	4,539,000	779,000
Total	23,830,000	4,807,000

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"NOT MERE BOOK LEARNING"

Education Must Mould Character, Says Minister Cooper

Education did not mean mere book-learning, but the moulding of character, temper and one's general outlook of life was the opinion expressed by Khan Bahadur D. B. Cooper, Finance and Revenue Member to the Government of Bombay, presiding over the prize distribution gathering of the Girls' Schools of the Students' Literary and Scientific Society on Friday evening.

The function, held at the High School premises at Nowroji Street, was attended by the elite of the city. A variety programme, including a dance enacted by the young girls of the school, rendered the function lively and attractive.

"One of the early characteristics of the early pioneers, of reform" remarked the chairman, in the course of his speech "which one cannot fail to notice particularly in these days of highly communal propensities, is that they all worked for the Indian Society as a whole and as brothers and fellow-citizens."

"Education of the right type," he added, "and rightly imparted is a solvent of such prejudices, as divide men and communities into water-tight compartments."

"For it does not mean" he explained, "mere book-learning but the moulding of character, temper and our general outlook of life."

After the prize-distribution the function came to a close with a song of prayer.

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BOMBAY: SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1935

Bombay Firms Lose Large Amounts

PROMOTING INTERESTS OF MINORITIES

Secretary Of Allahabad Unity Conference Outlines His Scheme

Dr. M. Mahmudullah, who was the Secretary of the Unity Conference, Allahabad, has issued the following to the press giving a brief outline of the scheme to be started to organise the Muslims of India:—

With the inauguration of the New Reforms and the growth of Constitutional Government in India the claims of public life will receive wider recognition and the minorities will have to shoulder fresh responsibilities and to take new risks.

The devoted labours of a specially trained band of patriotic workers applying themselves to the service of the backward minorities are required. The appalling condition of the minorities in all branches of "nation-building" departments demand a whole-time service and sacrifice proportionate to the magnitude of the task.

I venture to submit that the progress of the backward minorities demands their entry in as any departments of the services of the country as opportunity may allow. Progress in one direction will not be effective unless it is general. Service on all lines shall be the policy of the Bureau.

The Bureau has been established to meet in some measure these and other immediate requirements of the backward minorities. Its members are pledged to adopt Constitutional methods and to develop among the people a higher type of character and capacity than is generally available for public services.

AIMS AND OBJECTS.

The objects of the Bureau are to train national workers, prepared to devote their lives to the service of humanity. The Bureau will seek to promote and protect the interests of the weaker and less progressive minorities of India and to develop their nation-building departments in the larger interest of the country.

Its members will direct their efforts principally towards:—

(1) Creating by personal example and precept a deep and passionate love of the motherland.

(2) Opening "nation-building" departments among the backward minorities and organising political, industrial, scientific, social and educational work.

(3) Promoting relations of cordial goodwill and co-operation among the different communities and creating opportunities to develop cultural unity and common political outlook.

(4) Assisting other Institutions of public utility particularly those connected with labour, industry and commerce.

Among the important works the Bureau intend doing are:—

To enter legislatures, contest Municipal and District Board elections. To cultivate friendly relations with Princes and State subjects. To assist in the development of industry and commerce, and to establish social centres among the educated and to work for the removal of expensive unhygienic and wasteful customs prevalent among the masses.

Dr. M. Mahmudullah says:

"In presenting this scheme for the economic and political uplift of the less progressive communities of our motherland I appeal to every section of the Indian people for their moral support.

"I hope my critics will not endeavour to associate this scheme and myself with any communalism. Many have been my shortcomings during the ten years of my political career but my worst critics could not associate my labours with any communal prejudice. This is the only guarantee that I can give and I hope and trust that my friends and critics will bear with me a while and judge me from the actual work done by the bureau. More I do not wish to say."

Speculators Caught Hopelessly

Profits And Losses Go Far Beyond Most Ardent Expectations

BOMBAY, April 26.

As anticipated London Silver prices advanced 2-1|16d. to 34-7|8d on Thursday. A sharp rise of 5-3|8 cents to 77 cents was recorded in New York spot silver prices.

Montreal Silver market closed at a rise of 280 to 297 points. At the close May was quoted 75.30 July 75.80 and September 76.67

Under the present trading rules a maximum limit of 300 points was reached in the Montreal market which checked further rise.

Speculators Caught

As already stated the local Silver market is now passing through a critical time. Profits and losses have gone far beyond the expectations of the most ardent operators. Several firms are reported to have lost large amounts and some professional operators who are fond of selling "call' and "Put" rights at fixed prices by accepting small premiums find themselves caught hopelessly.

This state of affairs destroyed general confidence in the market, and trading remained suspended unofficially upto 1 p.m.

Operators are preparing accounts and demand cash differences or "Havalas" from weak parties.

It is too early to think about the eventual position as the "valan" falls due on 1st May. The total amount of the present and the following settlement is estimated at about 2-1|2 crores.

The local market opened at 1 p.m. and Vaishakh was quoted at Rs. 83|8. At this level there was heavy profit-taking and prices declined to Rs. 82|8. The market was erratic with tone uncertain.

BERAR SOCIALIST CONFERENCE POSTPONED

Sequel To Misuse Of Power In Election Of President

AKOLA, April 26.

Mr. Jayprakash Narayan, the general organising secretary of the All-India Congress Socialist Party and Mr. N. V. Gadgil the president elect of the first Berar Socialist Conference, have jointly instructed the Reception Committee to postpone the Conference in view of the misuse of power delegated to the Reception Committee by the party Organising Secretary in the matter of electing the Conference president.—A.P.

ALLEGED MURDER ON STEAMER

Ship's Cook Arrested At Karachi

KARACHI, April 25

On information from New York the local Port Police rushed into a City Line Steamer on its anchoring and arrested its cook.

It is reported that in an altercation on board the steamer he had done to death a boy servant. Karachi being the nearest Port, the arrest was effected here.—United Press.

Examination of witnesses in what is known as the 'Sitabuldi Bomb and Conspiracy Case, was concluded on Wednesday, after the Sessions Judge and the jury had inspected the place where the bomb was alleged to have exploded. Three of the accused in the case (the fourth having turned an approver) who were examined to-day pleaded 'not guilty.'

About half a dozen Pathans are reported to have been injured in a free fight between Moslems and Pathans in Hingoli, a village in Ahmedabad District. Lathis were used in the fight while one of the Moslems it is alleged, fired a gun. The cause of the fight is said to be an old grudge.

TIMBER GODOWNS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Bareilly Outbreak Helped By Wind Until Rain Intervenes

BAREILLY April 25

Two hundred constables and the firebrigade were wedged between two fires that broke out in two timber godowns at Bareilly on April 23. A storm was raging at the time the godowns caught fire. The entire force in the police rushed to the spot with the fire brigade, and frantic efforts were made to extinguish the flames. There being a kerosene and petrol depot nearby the fire fanned by the stormy wind raged unchecked, and within an hour both the godowns were reduced to ashes.

When everything was lost the storm suddenly stopped followed by torrential rain which helped in extinguishing the flames. The loss is estimated at several thousands of rupees.—A. P.

SMUGGLERS FIGHT POLICE

NEW DELHI, April 26.

A fight ensued between a police patrol on duty and a gang of cocaine smugglers last night near the Juma Masjid, in which a constable was injured.

The gangsters, thereupon, tried to kidnap him but an alarm being raised help was rushed to the scene and the miscreants bolted.

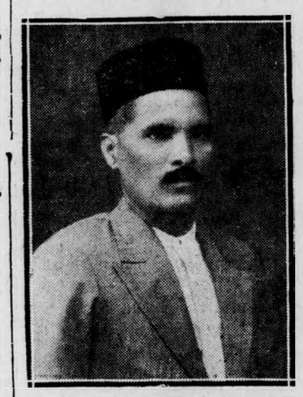
Vigorous investigation is proceeding to round them up.—United Press.

N.W.F.P.'s NEW PUBLICITY OFFICER

PESHAWAR, April 25.

The Associated Press understands that Khan Mohammad-aslam Khattak, at present Broadcasting Officer, Peshawar, will be appointed Publicity Officer, the Frontier Government, vice Khan Bahadur Kulikhan, proceeding on leave preparatory to retirement, on 1st May.—A.P.

There was a collision between two passenger lorries on the Kamptee Road on Tuesday, which resulted both the lorries falling into ditches, one having turned turtle. No one was injured.



Mr. Sonu Deoram Wankhedkar, Vice-President of the Dhulia Municipality, is a Harijan by caste.

GURU ATTACKED WITH AXES IN SHEIKHPURA

Assailants Escape By Jumping Into Sind Assuri Canal

KARACHI, April 26.

According to a telephone message received here from Sheikhpura, a sensation was caused in the town as a result of an attack on Mr. Bhavramdas Khatwalla, a religious head with a number of followers.

It is stated that while Bava was returning by the Sind Asuri Canal three persons believed to be Muslims attacked him with axes causing injury, and escaped by plunging into the canal nearby.

Bava was removed to the hospital where he is undergoing an operation.—A P.

MAHABLESHWAR IN SEASON

Temporary Change In Weather Due To Thunderstorm

(From Our Correspondent.)

MAHABLESHWAR, April 24.

With the coming of Lord Brabourne the Governor of Bombay here some of the prominent people, such as Government officials, a few M.L.C.'s, Chiefs from the States of Aundh, Phaltan, Miraj, Sangli, Bhavnagar, etc., Mr. Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Member of the Tariff Board, and others are present.

Several bungalows are hired and occupied by large families. Even hotels and big restaurants, such as Frederic, Dina, Fountain, Race-view and others, have practically left no accommodations for fresh arrivals.

MAHABLESHWAR, April 25.

(From Our Correspondent).

The weather seems to have taken a turn for the worst since yesterday noon here. The sky was heavily overcast, with thunder-storm and even flashes of lightning forebode rain and chilly atmosphere. In the evening the same day, heavy showers followed much to the embarrassment of the cottage-dwellers and farmers.

It is surmised that it may be destructive to tree and garden plants and bloom of the season in general, though it had a beneficial effect in mitigating the road dust and heat.

With the coming dawn however, the skies were once again clear and sunny bright days evident for some time.

Towards evenings golf links, gymkhanas and clubs are crowded. Members are seen playing tennis, billiards etc.

Amongst the topics of the day that is engaging the minds of most is the coming Silver Jubilee celebrations. It seems arrangements are being made to make it an eventful occasion, and a special Committee has been formed for the purpose.

Sir Samuel Hoare is progressing normally.

GANGSTER KILLS TWO MEN

Swims River And Escapes Into Nepal Where He Is Arrested

LUCKNOW, April 25.

The news of shooting tragedy has been received from Bahriach States. A gangster armed with a revolver and twenty cartridges swam across the River Rapti pursued by the police, entered a house shot its owner dead and escaped into Nepal Territory.

The revolver and the cartridges were stolen from the house of the Sub-Inspector in charge of Ruaidiha Police Station Bahriach District.

Another sub-inspector belonging to the Motipur Police located the whereabouts of the gangster and surprised him with a posse of armed constables and gave chase, but he jumped into the river and swam across and took shelter in the house of Thakur Suratsingh who raised an alarm, whereupon the gangster shot him dead.

The police continued combing the country side and arrested the gangster in Nepalese Territory and handed him over to the Nepal police from where he will be extradited.—A. P.

DELHI STATION KIDNAPPING

Alleged Member Of Notorious Gang Arrested With Girls At Rohtak

DELHI, April 25.

News has been received here from Ghaziabad of the arrest of one Kunjilal, believed to be a member of a notorious gang of kidnappers, with two young girls of Rohtak, whom he is alleged to have kidnapped from the Delhi Railway Station.

It is stated while Mst. Parbati (16) and Mst. Kishan Devi (12) were sitting near the 3rd class waiting room in the Delhi Railway station, Kunjilal approached and asked them to entertain with him saying that their parents had already got into a carriage. The girls followed him and when the train reached Ghaziabad they enquired about their parents. The man refusing to give any information, they raised a cry when the police came and arrested him.

A case under section 363 I.P.C. has been registered against Kunjilal.—United Press.

The Sind C.I.D. acting on information from Lahore seized a bundle of issues of the "Zemindar" Lahore, on the arrival of the train at the Karachi City Station.

CONGRESS ELECTION DISPUTES

Working Committee Appoints Investigators

JUBBULPORE, April 25.

The Congress Working Committee has authorised the Congress President to nominate members from Midnapore to the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee and the North-west Frontier Province to the All-India Congress Committee.

The Committee also ratified the constitutions of the Assam, Ajmer-Merwara, Gujerat, Behar Bengal, Karnataka and some other Provincial Congress Committees, but in the case of Andhra and few other Provincial Congress Committees the President was authorised to look into the constitution and ratify them.

In connection with the election disputes already under enquiry namely the Guntur Congress Committee election dispute and other election disputes in Central Provinces the disputes were referred to Dr. Syed Mahomed. Dr. Pattabi Sitaramiya has been authorised to investigate the Godawari dispute and Mr. Nariman to investigate and decide the Central Provinces disputes.

Reception to Rajen Babu.

The citizens of Jubbulpore presented an address of welcome to Babu Rajendra Prasad the Congress President to-night. Several Congress leaders addressed a public meeting held for the purpose.

All Congress leaders are preparing to leave either to-night or to-morrow.

U. P. KISAN CONFERENCE

Pt. Pant's Appeal

ALLAHABAD, April 26

An appeal in Hindi has been issued by Pt. Govind Ballabh Pant on behalf of the Kisan Conference, which reads as follows:—

"All kisans will ge glad to know that a Provincial Kisan Conference will be held on April 27 to 28 on behalf of the Provincial Kisan Sangh under the presidency of Kisans' greatest leader and well-wisher Sardar Patel. The Conference will consider important issues concerning Kisans. It is the duty of all agriculturists and those connected with agriculture to attend the Conference in large numbers. I appeal to them to muster strong and make the Conference a success".—United Press.

SHAUKAT ALI'S EXPLANATION

Aligarh Railway Station Incident

RAMPUR, (By Mail)

Referring to the Aligarh Railway Station incident Maulana Shaukat Ali, M. L. A states:

"I was talking to an old friend of mine and he was of my point of view as regards the organised dramatic "Bring back of Dr. Ziauddin when suddenly from the side a gentlsman, who was a stronger to me intervened and opposed my point of view using strong language. I asked him to get away and mind his business.

A yard off he made a ring and began to use still more strong language when I went up to him with my stick which I carry to support my weight and asked him to stop. Before I could assault or wanted to assault, the plucky little gentleman gave me three blows one on my left elbow, one on my right side and the third on my head bringing down my heavy black cap. Feeling the pain I also raised my stick and gave him my blow which others stopped with hands yet the end scrached his forehead drawing blood. This is all

Later I learnt that he was my old friend whom I had seen after twelve years with the addition of a big beard. He recognised me but I did not know then who he was. The matter ended so far as I was concerned, but an entirely different version was given to side track the real issue."—A P

NEW CONSTITUTION UNACCEPTABLE

Jamkhandi States' Peoples' Conference

(From Our Correspondent.)

BIJAPUR, April 23.

The Jamkhandi States people's conference met at Sawalgi in the Jamakhandi state on the 20th and 21st inst. under the presidentship of Sjt. Narayanrao Joshi, pleader of Belgaum.

Mr. Joshi in his presidential address criticised the federal constitution in the proposed reforms, and exposed the futility of the representation given to the states.

Continuing the president said assessment on the lands in the state was very heavy and its heaviness was becoming unbearable to the agriculturists The state he said should reduce the assessment even at the risk of being obliged to curtail its expenses.

The conference declared the proposed new constitution as unacceptable as the states people had no voice in the working of the constitution. The conference requested the state-authorities to introduce effectively the Land Revenue rules regarding the suspension and remission of assessment in bad years. The state was also requested to reduce the present heavy rate of assessment to the level of the assessment in the adjoining British territory.

CONGRESS OFFER TO MALAVIYA

Bhulabhai Desai Defines C.P.B.'s Attitude On Assembly Bye-Election

JUBBULPORE, April 26.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai has issued the following statement regarding the attitude of the Congress Parliamentary Board in connection with the election from the Benares-Gorakhpur constituency:—

"As the time for the nomination of candidates for election from the Benares-Gorakhpur constituency is nearing, I desire to re-state the position of the Congress Parliamentary Board in this connection.

"As soon as the vacancy occurred I intimated Mr. Aney who was in correspondence with me on the subject that the Congress Parliamentary Board will not contest the seat, should Panditji decide to stand for it. I have not had any reply from Mr. Aney.

"I have seen it is stated in the press that Malaviyaji does not intend to accede to this suggestion. If the report was true I should conclude that Panditji does not desire to go into the Assembly as proposed. The arrangement, while ensuring Panditji's return, has an additional advantage of not disturbing the other sitting members and should thus be all the more acceptable and agreeable to him, I wish to reiterate the offer made on behalf of the Congress Parliamentary Board and hope that Panditji will be pleased to reconsider the matter.

"In case this hope does not materialise, I have to make it clear on behalf of the Board that it will not be able to withdraw any of the sitting members of the Congress Party to create a fresh vacancy. I am making this unequivocal declaration in order to avoid any chance of future misunderstanding as unfortunately this question has already been subject of some controversy in the press."—United Press.

HARIJAN AS VICE-PRESIDENT

(From Our Correspondent.)

DHULIA, April 23.

At a meeting of the Dhulia Municipality held on the 20th inst. Dr. Golharedy was re-elected as President. Mr. Sonu Deoram Wankhedkar, a Harijan member of the Municipality, was elected as Vice-President.

This is the first time that a Harijan member has been elected to an important position. Mr. Wankhedkar has been a member for the last twelve years. He is also a member of the Municipal School Board and the District School Board.

MADRAS INFECTED WITH CHICKEN-POX

A notification of the Government of Madras says that the town and port of Madras are declared to be infected with chicken-pox.

AMRITSAR April 24.—Sardar Jaswant Singh Jhabbal President, Gold Temple Managing Committee would move at the next meeting that a sum of Rs. 2,000 be given to the Chief Khalsa Diwan as a contribution to the fund started to remove illiteracy from the villages.—United Press

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